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IN MEMORIAM.

(1914-1918.)

DENNIS—In loving memory of Richard Thomas (Tom) Dennis, Second Lieutenant, Royal Irish Rifles, who passed away at Wimereux 19th December, 1918, aged 19 years, only son of Richard Dennis, late of Balbriggan.

BIRTHS.

DAVIES—December 17, 1925, at 43 Upper Rathmines, to Flora, wife of T. A. Davies, a daughter.

FLOOD—December 12, 1925, at Hendon, London, to Dr. and Mrs. E. S. Flood (née O'Farrell), a daughter.

HEWITT—December 15, 1925, at Bagenalstown, to Mr. and Mrs. Christopher A. S. Hewitt, a son (Arthur Fenton), who only survived a short time.

PURCELL—December 6, 1925, at Tully, Kildare, to Winifred Beatrice, wife of P. C. Purcell, a daughter.

SMYTH—December 14, 1925, at Mrs. Beamish's Nursing Home, St. Patrick's Hill, Cork, to Rev. and Mrs. C. J. Smyth, The Rectory, Carrigaline, a daughter.

SPENCE—December 2, 1925, to Florence, wife of J. C. Spence, 54 North Strand, Dublin, a daughter.

WHYTE—December 9, 1925, at Orry's Mount, Ramsey, Isle of Man, the wife of Frank I. Whyte, of a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

BALDWIN and SANDHAM—December 16, 1925, at St. Mary, Shandon Church, Cork, by the Rev. G. V. Jourdan, D.D., Rector, John Augustus, eldest son of the late J. A. Baldwin, Limerick, and formerly of Head View, Lismore, County Waterford, and Amy Elizabeth, eldest daughter of the late Richard M. Conner, Bellevue Park, Cork, and widow of Thomas Sandham, Blackrock, County Cork.

BEATTIE and LORD—December 16, 1925, at St. Jude's Church, Dublin, by Rev. Percy Coster, M.A., Rector, Alfred Joseph, fifth son of Mr. and Mrs. John Beattie, Grange Castle, Lucan, to Alice May, only daughter of Richard and the late Mrs. Lord, Sydenham, Belfast, and niece of Mrs. and Mr. James Anderson, Rialto Lodge, Dublin.

HAYGOOD and LAMONT—November, 1925, at Christ Church, Pensacola, Florida, by the Rev. Hendree Harrison, James W. Haygood, junior, Montgomery, Ala., to Emily Caroline, eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Æneas Lamont, Pensacola.

THOMPSON and ELLIOTT—December 5, 1925, at All Saints', Grangegorman, by the Rev. E. H. F. Campbell, Vicar, Alfred Augustus, eldest son of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Thompson, "Kirkwood," Hoyland, near Barnsley, Yorkshire, to Alice Maud, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Elliott, late of H.M. Prison Service, Ireland.

SILVER WEDDING.

McCUTCHEON and BUCHANAN—December 19, 1900, at Adelaide road Church, Dublin, by Rev. R. McCheyne Edgar, D.D., Robert Ross McCutcheon, Barrister-at-Law, son of Gilbert McCutcheon, Ballymena, to Bella, daughter of Robert Buchanan, late of Turin, County Cavan. Present address—Bangor, County Down.

DEATHS.

ANNOUNCEMENTS received late for insertion in this column will be found on Page 6.

BENNETT—December 18, 1925, in Dublin, Emma Georgina, daughter of the late James S. Bennett, Summerville, Kilmallock.

CAIRNES—December 18, 1925, at 6 Raglan road, Dublin, William Plunket Cairnes, of Stameen, Drogheda, and 6 Raglan road, Dublin. Funeral at St. Mary's, Drogheda, on Monday, 21st December, at 11 a.m. Special train leaves Amiens street at 9.45 a.m.

CARROLL—December 18, 1925, at Phillipstown, Stillorgan, after a lingering illness, patiently borne, Annie, youngest daughter of the late Joseph and Mrs. Carroll. Sadly missed by her loving mother, sisters, and brothers. R.I.P. Funeral to Dean's Grange to-morrow (Sunday) at 2 p.m.

COATES—December 16, 1925, at a Liverpool Nursing Home, Gerald Arthur, third son of the late Victor Coates, D.L., late of Rathmore, Dunmurry, County Antrim. Funeral strictly private. No flowers.

COLLIS—December 14, 1925, at Leamington, Jessie Margaret, aged 57, youngest daughter of the late Maurice Henry Collis, M.D., F.R.C.S.I.

DUNNE—December 18, 1925, at Dromakeenan, Roscrea, Phœbe, widow of late John Dunne, aged 67 years. "Thy will be done." Funeral to-morrow (Sunday) at 1 o'clock for Ettagh.

EDGEWORTH—December 13, 1925, in Brussels, Stella Geraldine Margaret, eldest daughter of the late John Newcomen (C.P.S., Longford) and Laura Edgeworth, 15 Rue Berckmans, St. Gilles, Brussels.

FOLEY—December 18, 1925, John Foley, Manager of Munster and Leinster Bank, Ltd., Callan, County Kilkenny. Funeral at 2 o'clock to-morrow (Sunday) to Kilbride, Callan.

HOTCHKIS—December 14, 1925, at Lostwithiel, Cornwall, Alice Jane, dearly-loved wife of Captain Geoffrey Hotchkis, and daughter of Mrs. Allin, Budleigh Salterton (late of Rushbrooke, County Cork).

KEMMIS—December 17, 1925, suddenly, at Yarmouth, Isle of Wight, Florence Jane, youngest daughter of the late Thomas Kemmis, of Killeen, Portarlington, Ireland, and 45 Kildare street, Dublin.

McASEY—November 23, 1925, in Montreal, at the age of 26 years, George J. McAsey, eldest son of Edward J. and Margaret McAsey. R.I.P. Funeral from parents' residence, 704 Clanranald avenue, on 25th ult., after Mass at St. Augustine's Church, thence to Côte des Neiges Cemetery.

McKENNA—At his residence, Market street, Monaghan, Francis McKenna, Publican. Deeply and sincerely regretted. R.I.P. Funeral from St. Macarten's Cathedral, after 12 o'clock Mass, to-morrow (Sunday) to Latlurcan.

McLOUGHLIN—December 14, 1925, at Convent of the Cross, Boscombe Park, Bournemouth, Mother Madeline, third daughter of the late William McLoughlin, Stone Hall, Westmeath, and of Mrs. McLoughlin, 23 Northumberland road, Dublin. Deeply regretted. R.I.P.

MACARDLE—On Friday, December 18, 1925, in a Private Nursing Home in Dublin, Sir Thomas Callan Macardle, K.B.E., D.L., of St. Margaret's, Dundalk, aged 69 years. R.I.P. Funeral from St. Francis Xavier's Church, Gardiner street, Dublin, on Monday morning, 21st December, after 9.30 Mass, by motor, to Dundalk, arriving about 12.30 p.m., and thence to Castletown Cemetery.

OAKES—December 17, 1925, at her residence, 6 Thorncastle street, Ringsend, Elizabeth, relict of late Joshua Oakes. "Thy will be done." Funeral from above, 10 o'clock, this (Saturday) morning.

SMYTH—December 18, 1925, at her residence, 62 Blessington street, Kate Mary Smyth, second daughter of the late Thomas Smyth, R.L., Air Hill, Loughlinstown, County Dublin. R.I.P. Funeral private. No flowers.

ACKNOWLEDGMENTS.

Mrs. John Geach, 123 Tritonville road, Sandymount, tenders her heartfelt thanks to all her numerous friends who sympathised with her in her recent sorrowful bereavement.

Mrs. Hatte and family wish to thank their kind friends for all the sympathy which they have shown them in their sorrow, and trust that they will kindly accept this notice as a recognition of gratitude, as the telegrams and letters received are too numerous to deal with personally

The family of the late **Mrs. Ruddock**, 5 Williams' Park, Rathmines, desire to thank their many friends who sympathised with them in their recent sad bereavement, and trust they will accept this acknowledgment.

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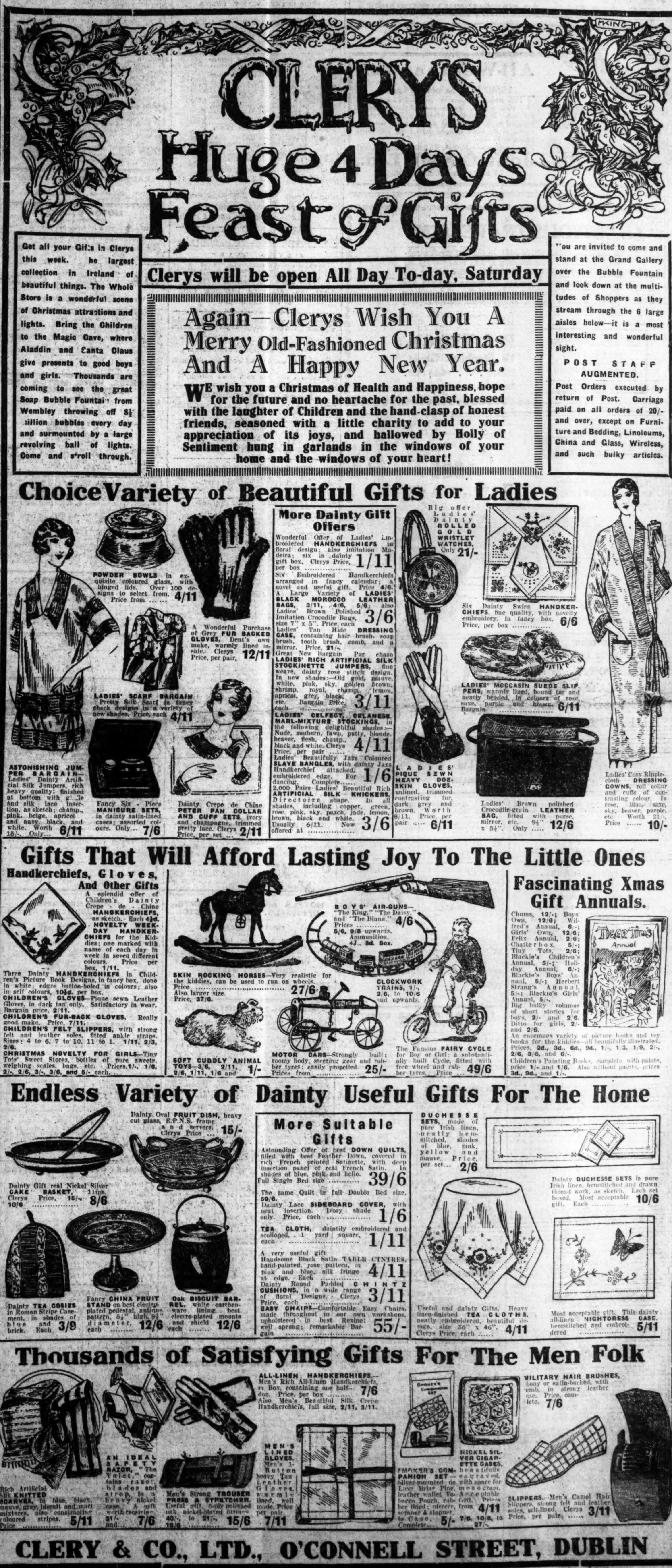

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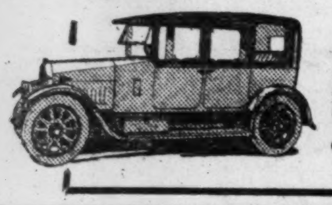

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LOST, Attache Case, in through carriage from West to Dublin, on 9th inst.; reward given.—B 1961, this office. 17 B

LOST, between Chatham street and Stephen's Green, large Gold Ball Ear-ring. Reward at Bothwell's, Grafton street.

LOST, Black Silk Bag, near Rathmines Town Hall, Thursday evening, containing keys, purse, silver, pencil. Reward—Whiteheather Laundry, 93 Rathmines road.

LOST, on Thursday, in Dame street, Dark Brown Kerry Blue, white star on chest. Finder rewarded if returned to Greenane, Temple road, Rathmines. 18 C

LOST, about Nelson's Pillar, small Bag, containing silver, latchkey, photo, etc.; good reward if returned.—C 6, this office.

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LADY required middle January to take charge bed and public rooms (60), linen and laundry. Age 30-40; energetic, well educated, tactful, good manner and appearance. Salary £60, with apartments, board and laundry. State briefly: age, experience and enclose copies references (dated), to "Z 1620, Housekeeper," this office. 17 X

A VACANCY occurs for an experienced and tactful Lady to join staff of prominent London Company in capacity of Store Demonstrator; must possess initiative and persuasiveness; to the right person the position holds good prospects; all particulars of past records must accompany application. Apply Box 1876, Irish Times Branch Office, Belfast. 17 B

ATLANTIC College, 45-47 Henry street, Dublin—Wireless, Cable, Electrical Courses. Parents and Guardians please note next session begins 11th January. Prospectus 6d. Apply Secretary. 4 X

BOOKKEEPER Wanted; must have good experience. Address, with copies of testimonials, and state salary required, "Z 1628, Bookkeeper," this office. 17 A

BUTCHER, Improver, Wanted, drive Ford van (indoor), 1st January; state wages; Protestant. Address "Z 1638, Butcher," this office. 18 A

CLOTHING Ready to Wear—McBirney and Co. require at once a capable Salesman for their Men's Department, and some temporary Assistants for other Departments.—Aston's quay, Dublin. 17 F

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ELECTRICIAN—Wanted, a Man to run Power Station, who understands crude oil engines, do repairs, look after battery; none but those can be recommended need apply. State age, send references to Bagenalstown Electric Light and Power Ltd., Bagenalstown. 16 A

GENERAL Drapery and Boots—Wanted immediately, after Xmas, young Lady Assistant (Protestant); country town; state terms and enclose copy reference to last employer. Address "Z 1567, Boots," this office. 15 F

GENTLEWOMAN Wanted to run Incubators, Brooders, etc., on modern Poultry Farm for three months. Address "Z 1648, Poultry," this office. 18 X

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JUNIOR Hardware Assistant required, R.C.; must have good knowledge of the business in general. Reply, stating age, experience and salary required (indoor) and enclose copies references. "Z 1618, Assistant," this office. 17 A

MONEY Prizes are offered for the Solution of a Simple Cross Word Problem in the "Weekly Irish Times" to-day. Price twopence. 15 F

NORTH Circular road—Advertisements for this Page received by Mr. Lonergan, Newsagent and Confectioner, Ye Olde Toll House, Phoenix Park Gate, North Circular road. X

ORGANIST—An Organist Wanted for Roman Catholic Church, in a town in Galway; state lowest salary. Address "Z 1639, Organist," this office.

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SEXTON Wanted, Clontarf Methodist Church; man living in district preferred. Apply B 1985, this office. 18 C

THE Short Story Art—All Students should see the Special Article in the Students' Page of the "Weekly Irish Times" to-day. Price twopence. 15 F

WANTED, Assistant to Grocery and Provisions; one able to look after plain set of books; Protestant; state salary (indoor), with copies of references. Address "Z 1568, Assistant," this office. 15 F

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LADY requires Electric Treatment for Pyorrhoea.—B 1967, this office. 18 A

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PROBATIONERS Wanted.—Thompson, Memorial House, Lisburn. 15 A

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ALL Professional and University Prelims., Oral and Correspondence. Success lists free.—McGUIRE'S COLLEGE, 6 Gardiner's Row. T

A YOUNG Lady, L.R.A.M., A.R.C.M., Teaches Pianoforte and Theory.—B 1821, this office. 15 F

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MOTOR Hoods Re-Covered, Curtains and Cushions.—L. Harris, 11 South King street (opposite Gaiety Theatre). 12 F

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MORRIS Oxford Four Seater, as new, £195, quick sale; Fiat Saloon, £245; 14 Armstrong Siddeley Four Seater, six months' factory guarantee, £240; any trial. Seen Express Auto Co., 52 Dawson street, Dublin. 18 C

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TWO Seater Singer Car, 1925 model, 9.7 horse power, in perfect order, owner driven, small mileage done.—B 1950, this office. 17 F

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MAGNETOS and Dynamo Repairs; six months' guarantee with each repair.—Irish Ignition Co., 2 Townsend street, Dublin. 24 24

PETROL Can Storage Bins to meet requirements of Corporation, in sizes to hold 6 to 48 tins. Prices and particulars, Thomas McKenzie and Sons, Dublin. 8 11

BODIES.

NEW 2 and 5 Seater Dublin made Motor Bodies for Sale, first class job; suit all chassis.—John O'Toole, Motor Body Builder, 29a Upper Merrion street, Dublin. 18 C

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A1—NUMEROUS Pedal Cycles to be cleared before Stocktaking. Prices to suit all intending purchasers. Call and enquire at Wayte Bros., Ltd., Lemon street, off Grafton street, Dublin. T

A TRUSTY Triumph, 1926 Model, on Easiest of Easy Payment Systems; 12/6 deposit, 12/5 monthly, or £6 19/6 cash.—Triumph Company (Ireland), Ltd., 12 Saint Andrew street, Dublin. 27 17

CHRISTMAS Presents—Juvenile Cycles, Children's Motor Cars, Scooters, Tricycles, etc.—Kelly, Bachelor's Walk. 8 11

CYCLE, suit boy 11 years; £2 10/0.—8 Camac place, Dolphin's Barn Bridge.

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CHAUFFEURS CONTINUED.

WANTED.

CHAUFFEUR and General Man, indoor, Wanted by doctor, in country; drive Chevrolet, milk, and garden; strict T.T.; R.C. Address "Z 1584, Chauffeur," this office. 16 A

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FRENCH Conversation Wanted with French person; state terms.—C 3, this office. 18 C

MOUNTJOY School, Dublin—Resident Master (Protestant) Wanted for next term; subjects: English and mathematics, Junior Grade standard. Send copies of qualifications and testimonials to Head Master. 18 A

WANTED, young Gentlewoman, Protestant, residing North side, to take charge of two girls (6) and 1½ years); first lessons; 10 to 1 o'clock daily; Glasnevin district.—B 1918, this office. 17 B

WANTED, Governess, young, gentlewoman, musical; usual subjects; 3 girls; I.C.—Mrs. Ruskell, Cooper Hill, Carlow. 17 B

EMPLOYMENT WANTED.

A HARNESS Maker seeks employment; strict T.T., Protestant; highest experience. Address "Z 1597, Harness," this office. 16 A

BOOT Trade—Experienced Lady wishes situation; pushing saleswoman, good window dresser; moderate wage. Address "Z 1573 Lady," this office. 15 F

BOOKKEEPER, Cashier, Shorthand Typist—Lady desires position; film office preferred; long experience.—B 1971, this office. 18 C

DRESSMAKER wants Work, ladies' houses; Evening, Fancy Dresses.—1125, Irish Times Branch Office, Baggot street Bridge. 18 C

EX-BRITISH Officer wants employment; four years commercial work; understands horses, farm work; motors and all repairs.—B 1902, this office. 16 A

EXCELLENT Dance Pianist (lady) open for engagements, dances or private parties; special terms.—P 20, Irish Times Branch Office, Kingstown. 18 C

SHORTHAND Typist, Secretary—Young Lady, seven years' experience; excellent references.—B 1885, this office. 16 A

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GROOM General Wanted (Navan), knowledge motor (indoor); £36, all found. Address "Z 1580, Groom," this office. 16 A

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DOMESTICS WANTED.

CAN Lady recommend capable young Woman, scrubbing, cooking, housework?—B 1983, this office. 18 A

DAILY Worker required for Dundrum; good references essential.—B 1964, this office.

MAID required to do complete work of house; three in family.—7 Neville road, Rathgar.

COOKS AND DAIRYMAIDS WANTED.

AN experienced Cook General Wanted; state age and enclose copy last discharge.—B 1976, this office.

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COOK General Wanted early in January; must be smart, clean, tidy, and well recommended; small family; Terenure district.—R O 232, Irish Times Branch Office, Rathmines. 16 A

COOK General Wanted; must be strong, clean and willing; two in family; excellent references required; wages £30. Reply, by letter only, to Mrs. O'Byrne, Willow Bank, Bushy Park road, Terenure, Dublin. 15 F

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WANTED, Head Dairymaid, good milker; must understand rearing of fowl; free apartments, fire, light, butter, and milk; state wages expected, age, religion, and copies of discharges, to Fowler, Kells, Co. Meath. 16 A

WANTED, by Irish Lady, after Xmas, Cook General; wages £32 to £36; fare paid. Write, sending copies references, state age, 9 St. Oswald's terrace, York. 16 A

WANTED, a good Cook General, for country place. For all particulars apply to Miss Janet Metge, 4 Dartmouth road, Leeson Park, Dublin, only between the hours of seven and eight p.m. 18 D

GENERALS WANTED.

EXPERIENCED General required for Dundrum; 4 in family; some washing; wages £24.—B 1963, this office.

EXPERIENCED young General, good plain cook, neat and clean; small washing; wages £24.—14 Belgrave road, Monkstown, Co. Dublin. 18 A

GENERAL—Wanted, town (Meath), good General, R.C.; fond children; plain cooking, washing; early in January; reference required. Address "Z 1575, General," this office. 16 A

RELIABLE young General Wanted, Killiney; good cook; small family.—Roper, 8 Shanganagh terrace. 16 A

WANTED, early January, strong General for farmer's house, Co. Dublin; no milking; ordinary housework; one child; state wages.—B 1826, this office.

WANTED, an experienced General for Monaghan; must be good cook; small washing; wages £24. Address "Z 1581, General," this office. 16 A

WANTED, after Christmas, experienced General for Rathmines; good cook and laundress; or outdoor.—R O 231, Irish Times Branch Office, Rathmines. 16 A

WANTED immediately, experienced General, about 25 years. Call after 3 to-day (Saturday) 4 Pembroke road.

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GOOD House Parlourmaid (£30-£34) Wanted, after Christmas, by Irish lady; 2 maids; separate bedrooms; family 5; soldier servant helps silver cleaning, etc. Write fully, The Beeches, Farnborough, Hants. 16 A

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DOMESTICS DISENGAGED.

RESPECTABLE, trustworthy Girl requires position, House Help; small family.—1118, Irish Times Branch Office, Cork.

WELL recommended Person seeks position Sewingmaid, school or private house, new year.—B 1944, this office. 17 B

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LADY recommends good Cook; take job; hotel experience; Dublin.—M. J., 7 Sussex terrace, Mespil road.

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GENERAL, disengaged 4th January; good plain cook; long papers; small family; wages £30.—311, Irish Times Branch Office, Bray. 18 C

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ANTIQUE Oak Bureau (small), £10; few nice Tables, old China; cheap.—Perrott, Glenbrook, Bray. 18 A

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DELICIOUS home made Marmalade, Orange, Lemon; lady now booking orders; prices very moderate.—B 1904, this office. 16 A

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FOR Sale, 42 inch Close Range, with copper boiler, perfect order; reasonable.—R 36, Irish Times Branch Office, Kingstown. 16 A

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USED Oliver Typewriters, from £3.—Booth Brothers, Ltd., Dublin. T

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WATCH Glasses, 250 gross, assorted sizes; £60 the lot or nearest offer. Reply B 1965, this office.

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WANTED, Billiard Cloth and Billiard Cushions Remade; send estimates. Address "Z 1640, Cloth," this office.

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BALLSBRIDGE—Oval Leaved Privet, all sizes, 10/- to 40/- 100; Laurels, 20/- to 50/- 100; Thornquicks, all sizes.—Ramsay. 18 X

BALLSBRIDGE—Roses, cheap and good; 12 choice Bush Trees, our selection, 18/- dozen, free.—Ramsay. 18 X

BALLSBRIDGE—Rhubarb, Best Early Scarlet Crowns, 6/- dozen, postage 1/-; Stools, 12/-, 18/-, 24/-, 30/- dozen; packing 1/-, carriage forward.—Ramsay. 18 X

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FROM OUR TRAVELLING CORRESPONDENT.

LINGFIELD, Friday Night.

Mr. Robert Gore gained the major honours at the meeting here this afternoon, winning the Crowhurst All-Aged Hurdle with St. Croix and Class II. of the Southern Double Handicap Steeplechase with Ibstock. The victory of the former was the more interesting, for he won in quite attractive style from Transit and showed form a good deal in advance of that on Saturday at Hurst Park, when, making his first appearance over hurdles, he was well beaten by Rosemullion.

When the son of Charles O'Malley was a two-year-old Mr. Gilpin thought a good deal of him, but he did not realise expectations, mainly, I think, because of his temper. He should do well at the hurdling game, however, for he jumps smartly, and Duller was not afraid to take him to the front as soon as they had settled down and keep him there. At the last Transit joined him, but St. Croix danced away from him on the flat and won easily by a couple of lengths. Scaliger came from the last hurdle to run Roysterer, who was under pressure from the time they turned into the straight, out of a place.

They were a moderate lot of horses in the Southern Double Handicap Steeplechase, which the plodding Ibstock won by eight lengths from Mullaghmast, with Taffytus six lengths off, third. Taffytus did not seem to warm up to his work as he had done at Windsor, and he was always toiling about the middle of the field. Ibstock is a slow horse, as we saw when Rousham beat him pointless the other day at Windsor, but he both jumps and stays well. He is only a five-year-old and is the sort that one can foresee going safely round the Grand National course one day. Ibstock was one of three winners ridden in the course of the afternoon by F. B. Rees, who had also won both the Selling Steeplechase and the Selling Hurdle Race, the former on Mask Man, who had no difficulty in beating Condobolin, and the other on Greenhorn, who, against a moderate lot of animals, improved on his Newbury form. North Waltham ran shockingly here, and would neither jump nor gallop. Duller, who was successful on St. Croix, had another winner later, when Golden Fizz made nearly all the running for the Hever Handicap Hurdle, and, easily resisting the challenge of Prince Regent, beat him by six lengths.

I cannot recollect having seen old Gris de Lin run in England before, but the horse, who is rising 14 years old, with Hogan in the saddle, was fancied a little to win the Covertside Handicap Steeplechase. He ran well, too, but he could not pull out enough speed in the straight and was beaten into third place, Indian Mat winning comfortably from the favourite, Broadway. Indian Mat, who was unknown to most people, even though he had won a steeplechase at the Cambridge fixtures at Cottingham, had no quotation in the market, and few members of the Ring ever put his name in their books. He was carrying only 10st., and was receiving 22lb. from Gris de Lin, so there may not have been a great deal of merit attaching to the performance.

HAYDOCK PARK.

I see that at Haydock Park Mr. Filmer-Sankey was beaten a head on Fly Mask, on whom odds were laid in the Wigan Steeplechase. His conqueror was Kwango, to whom he was giving 22lb. Soothing Glass would seem to be as good as ever over a country, for he only lost the Makerfield Handicap Steeplechase by three-parts of a length to Rathmore, to whom he was giving no less than 19lb. It was no disgrace at these weights to have been beaten by a useful animal like Rathmore, who once claimed Turkey Buzzard as a victim, and won the big steeplechase at Wetherby last Easter.

Quite attractive racing is likely to be seen both at Lingfield and Haydock to-morrow afternoon. Clasing Arms is due to run in the Southern Double Handicap Steeplechase, Class I., at the former meeting. The horse has had to be stopped in his work on account of the frozen state of the Wroughton gallops, but although he was particularly fit before the frost, he may be just short of a gallop. All the same, this is his favourite course, and he will be difficult to beat. Thrown In is fancied, but I think the danger to CLASHING ARMS will be Ben Cruchan, who ran particularly well at Windsor. On his showing against Cloth of Gold at Hurst Park, CROCK HILL looks a fairly good thing for the Winter Handicap Hurdle. Vive misses the New Year's End Steeplechase for the Christmas Cup at Wolverhampton, and, in his absence, HEADMASTER looks the best. Ganzey is on the spot to run for the Haydock Park Steeplechase, but I am warned that this will be won by WEST COUNTRYMAN. The Newton Handicap Hurdle should go to WHITE MOUNTAIN, the danger being Checktaker.

GALTEE MORE.

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Saturday and Monday, December 26 and 28.

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Stand Plate	1 15	Tower Plate	2 45
Stewards' Plate	1 45	Amateur Riders' Steeplechase	3 15
Newtown Plate	2 15		

SECOND DAY.

Three-Year-Old Hurdle	1 15	Foxrock Plate	2 15
		Bray Plate	2 45
Stillorgan Plate	1 45	Corinthian Plate	3 15

LIMERICK MEETING—

Saturday, December 26.

Greenpark Plate	1 15	Holiday Plate	2 15
St. Stephen's Day Plate	1 45	Christmas Plate	2 45
		Directors' Plate	3 15

CURRAGH TRAINING NOTES.

THE CURRAGH, Friday.

A fine morning.

COOMBS'S Johnny T. went two miles over fences; Ceylonese, Belsay Belle, Argozone, Baorstat, and Portumna were schooled over hurdles.

KENNY'S Prudent Lad, Mr. Wrigley, White Hill, and Fola cantered a mile.

PARKINSON'S Wild Orb and Lomond's Lake were usefully employed.

DOYLE'S Lislea, Tipperary Boy, Wisket, Stripes, Minnetonka and Merrie Memories had healthy exercise.

PERRY'S Red Michael, No Joke, The Kid, Knocklong Boy, Knocklong's Pride, and Mistress Puri were usefully employed.

DAWSON'S Ugly Duckling, Hello, Buacaill Breah, and Borora were sent a mile and a half; Prospice was schooled over hurdles.

SOME JOCKEYS' ENGAGEMENTS AT LINGFIELD TO-DAY.

Surrey Hurdle—Devonport (A. Smyth), Petty Cury (Robson), Porphyrion (Speck). St. Pier's Steeplechase—Greek Runner (Robson); Carrolstown (Owner). Ashdown Hurdle—Mountain Blue (J. Anthony), Manifest (K. Piggott), Bridal Chamber (Leader), Lunatoi (Robson), English Fare (Speck), Gainford (E. Vinall). Southern Steeplechase—Clashing Arms (J. Anthony); St. Bernard (Speck), Ben Cruchan (Owner), Drinmond (Leader). Winter Hurdle—Crock Hill (Duller), Kinnaird (F. Rees), Tomahawk (A. Piper), Peter Pax (A. Smyth).

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS.

Lingfield Park engagements (December 18th and 19th)—Hideaway, Polizei, Uncle Jack.

Southern Handicap Steeplechase, Lingfield Park—French Leave.

All engagements—Sun Chap (dead), Owen (dead).

LINGFIELD RESULTS.

1.0—COWDEN SELLING STEEPLECHASE of £150. Second £10. 2 m.
Col. Fairfax's br. g. MASK MAN, by Irishman—Kilmurry Maid, 10, 11-4 ....F. Rees 1
Mr. Wootton's CONDOBOLIN, 6, 11-4 C. Donnelly 2
Mr. Gore's CAPDINA, 6, 10-11...M. Farragher 3

Also ran:—Craggie Rock (A. Robson), Adalow (W. Speck), Charlton III. (F. Brookes), North Waltham (Trudgill), Fair View (S. Holt). Off 1.0. (Winner trained by Butchers.)

Betting—11 to 8 agst. MASK MAN, 3 to 1 Charlton III., 5 to 1 North Waltham, 6 to 1 Craggie Rock, 8 to 1 Capdina, 10 to 1 any other.

Won by six lengths; five lengths.

1.30—CROWHURST ALL-AGED HURDLE RACE of £150. Second £20. 2 m.
Lord Woolavington's br c. ST. CROIX, by Charles O'Malley—Telscombe, 3, 10-4 G. Duller 1
Capt. R. Sassoon's TRANSIT, 4, 11-7 G. Pellerin 2
Mr. E. Brock's SCALIGER, 5, 12-0...D. Dick 3

Also ran:—Roysterer (W. Parvin), Ballyhanwood (W. Hill), Popular Prince (W. Cameron), Jaunting Car (C. Rhodes), Tamasha (F Piper), Ballyhalt (Owner), Librarian (A. Robson), Skysail (T. Leader), Acoustic (J. Orbell), Scenario (T. Griffiths). Off 1.33. (Winner trained by R. Gore.)

Betting—9 to 4 agst. Transit, 100 to 30 Skysail, 5 to 1 Roysterer, 6 to 1 ST. CROIX, 10 to 1 any other.

Won by two lengths; six lengths.

2.0 — SOUTHERN DOUBLE HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of £200. Second £30, third £20. 3 m.
Major L. Neville's b. g. IBSTOCK, by Fowling-piece, dam by Gold, 5, 11-13......F. Rees 1
Mrs. S. Prince's MULLAGHMAST, 9, 11-5 J. Hogan, jun. 2
Mr G. Tonge's TAFFYTUS, 12, 12-3...Owner 3

Also ran:—Time Enough (T. Griffiths), Broken Wand (Mr. Pulford), Drury Lane II. (Mr. C. Edwards), G.R. (Truslove), Moytura (Speck), Hackam (A. Furnice), Lady Bramshot (G. Green), Flapper II. (Mr. R. Henton). Off 2.2. (Winner trained by R. Gore.)

Betting—6 to 5 on IBSTOCK, 7 to 2 agst. Mullaghmast, 8 to 1 Taffytus, 10 to 1 Lady Bramshot, 100 to 8 any other.

Won by eight lengths; six lengths. G.R. was pulled up. Lady Bramshot and Flapper II. fell.

2.30—COBHAM THREE-YEAR-OLD SELLING HURDLE of £300. Second £10. 1½ m.
Mr. T. A. Edge's b. g. GREENHORN, by Turbine—Green Curtain, 10-10 ......F. Rees 1
Mr. Thorburn's STOP FLIRTING, 10-10 K. Piggott 2
Mrs. G. S. Whitelaw's DORANS ROCKS, 10-10 G. Green 3

Also ran—Eva's Choice (Ingham), Stolen Ring (D. Dick), Sweet Afton (A. Bennett), Hussex (H. Gordon), Saunderton (W. Speck), Evening Bliss (W. Hill), Miss Gosling (Furnice), Capricious (Smallpiece). Off 2.31. (Winner trained by G. Poole.)

Betting—5 to 2 agst. GREENHORN, 3 to 1 Stop Flirting, 100 to 30 Dorans Rocks, 6 to 1 Eva's Choice, 10 to 1 Capricious, 100 to 8 any other.

Won by four lengths; six lengths. Evening Bliss fell.

3.0—HEVER HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of £150. Second £20 and third £10. 2 m.
Major Eve's b. g. GOLDEN FIZZ, by Phaleron—Bridgement, 4, 11-8 ....G. Duller 1
Mr. Smyth's PRINCE REGENT, a, 11-12 W. Smyth 2
Mr. W. Larkin's ALOPEX, 5, 11-0 G. Rickaby 3

Also ran—Victor (H. Read), Spigot Lodge (T. Leader), Brandon's Bud (W. Balding), Repaid (W. Payne), Some Cash (H. Cheshire), Earlstown (D. Dick), Drive On (L. Rees); Hotun-Nor (M. Farragher), Wharekoa (G. Hardy), Black Prince Maj. Wilson), Lady Jaquenetta (W. Hill). Off 3.3. (Winner trained by W. Payne.)

Betting—100 to 30 each agst. GOLDEN FIZZ and Some Cash, 7 to 2 Alopex, 5 to 1 Prince Regent, 8 to 1 each Drive On and Earlstown, 100 to 7 any other.

Won by six lengths; same. Victor fell.

3.30—COVERT SIDE HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of £150. Second £20 and third £10. 2 m.
Mr. Wood's ch. g. INDIAN MAT, by Indian Runner—Tatcho II., a, 10-6 ...W. Gurney 1
Mr. Green's BROADWAY, a, 11-6 ...K. Piggott 2
Mr. Lynch's GRIS DE LIN, a, 11-8 J. Hogan 3

Also ran—Sir Shaun (Mr. G. Poole), Karel (A. Harroway), Hackdene (J. Anthony), Red Or (E. Backhouse), Gem (F. Rees), Morello (G. Hardy), Lovely Bird (P. O'Hara), Morning Sun (F. Leader).

Betting—3 to 1 agst. Broadway, 4 to 1 Hackdene, 9 to 2 each Morning Sun and Gris de Lin, 6 to 1 Gem, 10 to 1 INDIAN MAT or any other.

Won by four lengths; same. Lovely Bird fell.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME AND SELECTIONS.

Surrey Hurdle—**Devonport.**

St. Piers Steeplechase—**Fitzpicton**; if absent, **Tim.**

Ashdown Hurdle—**Mountain Blue.**

Southern Steeplechase—**Clashing Arms.**

Winter Hurdle—**Crock Hill.***

Year's End Steeplechase—**Maxtoi**; if absent, **Irish Light.**

1.0—SURREY SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 150 sovs. Second receives 5 sovs. 2 m. Age st. lb.
LLANYMYNECH (Mr. J. Wood) Stanley 6 12 0
RED CITY (Mr. E. H. Bartholomew) F. Hartigan a 11 13
CHARLWASH (Mr. A. Law) ......Owner a 11 11
DEVONPORT (Miss A. Vincent) C. Young a 11 7
PETTY CURY (Mr. W. H. A. Heald) C. Young a 10 12
MILL CRAFT (Mr. R. Gore) ....Owner 4 10 12
YARNTON (Ld. Marchamley) ..E. Doyle 6 10 11
LAVERSTOKE (Mr H. Welis) ....Read 5 10 9
(The above have arrived.)
PERAHARA (Mr. H. Collins) ..E. Piggott 5 12 7
NOCTIFER (Mr. W. Payne) ......Owner 6 12 2
MISTER BLACK (Mr. M. Dollar) W. Payne a 12 0
SUNSONG (Mr. Leslie Paine) ..G. Bennett 5 11 13
POLISSON (Mr. Comins) ....Larkin a 11 11
BOMBINO (Mr. T. A. Edge) ....Poole 5 11 10
GILDED PUFF (Mr R. Tyler) ..Clancy 5 11 10
DAMAR (Mr. T. Fitton) ....Owner a 11 10
SHOTMAKER (Capt. J. B. Powell) Owner a 11 9
TWENTY-FIRST (Mr. H. Luscombe) C. Waugh 5 11 5
THE GRIPPER (Mr. W. Murray) M'Dougal 5 11 1
ORPINE (Major H. Dawes) ....Hackett 5 10 13
SEACRAFT (Mrs. A. Reader) ....C. Young 5 10 11
EDNA'S CHOICE (Miss E. M. Wharton) J. Ward 6 10 8
ARCHANGEL (Mr. G. Butchers) Owner 5 10 6
PORPHYRION (Mr. W. Sadler) Butchers 4 10 6
DOMINICAN (Ld. Marchamley) E. Doyle 5 10 5
SIMONSKID (Miss H. Rodocanachi) Powell 3 10 0

1.30—ST. PIERS SELLING HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 150 sovs. Second receives 5 sovs. 2 m. Age st. lb.
CHARLTON III. (Mr. P. G. Russell) W. Payne a 12 1
ADALEW (Mr. W. Pearson) ....Turner a 11 12
CAPDINA (Mr. R. Gore) ....Owner 6 11 4
RED SHANK (Mr. A. C. Saunders) A. Hammond 6 11 0
TIM (Mr. J. W. Wood) ....Stanley a 10 12
THEOPIUS (Mr. E. C. Eveleigh) Stanley 5 10 11
(The above have arrived.)
CRAGANOCK (Mr. H. A. Brown) Owner a 12 3
GREEK RUNNER (Miss A. Vincent) C. Young a 11 12
FITZPICTON (Mr. T. Hartigan) (5lb. ex.) ....Goby a 11 11
MANBY GATE (Mr. J. Nightingall) Owner a 11 9
SOUTHPOOL (Mr. Leslie Paine) G. Bennett a 11 7
CROSS PADDY (Mr. W. Nightingall) Owner a 11 4
CARROLSTOWN (Mr. W. Whitbread) G. Bennett a 11 2
EGAD (Mr. A. Howgego) ....Poole a 11 0
IRISH CHEER (Mr. R. J. Herniman) Poole a 11 0
JOE MACK (Mr. J. Pendarves) ..Owner a 10 10
CLOCHNABEN (Mr. W. Murray) M'Dougal a 10 9
SANCHO PANZA (Mr. A. Hampson) Bradfield a 10 9
TURBINE SECUNDUS (Mr. A. Law) Owner a 10 8
ATHOLHAMPTON (Mr. T. Fitton) Owner a 10 5
ORMSKIRK (Mr. G. F. Whitaker) A. Law a 10 0

2.0—ASHDOWN JUVENILE HURDLE RACE of 200 sovs. Second receives 30 sovs. and third 15 sovs. 1½ m. st. lb.
MOUNTAIN BLUE (Mr. C. S. Clarke) Hastings 11 0
ZADIG (Mrs. J. Putnam).........Woodman 11 0
MANIFEST (Mr. H. Collins)...E. Piggott 10 9
GREENHORN (Mr. T. A. Edge)......Poole 10 9
BRIDAL-CHAMBER (Mr. J. St. V. Fox) T. Leader 10 9
CHEEKILY (Mr. D. M. Grant)...P. Lowe 10 9
LUNATOI (Mr. G. Hooper)......C. Young 10 9
MAY BUSH (Ld. Stalbridge)......Anthony 10 9
DORANS ROCKS (Mrs. G. S. L. Whitelaw) Whitelaw 10 9
CASTLEDERG (Mrs. G. S. L. Whitelaw) Whitelaw 10 9
SPORTING CHAT (Mr. H. Coventry) Withington 10 4
MAGIC RAY (Mr. A. Edwards)......Owner 10 4
GAINFORD (Mr. G. Hooper)......C. Young 10 4
MAUDLING (Mr. S. R. Jaggard)...Mercer 10 4
BALFOUR (Mr. A. M. Jones)...H. Turner 10 4
SOME SLIP (Mr. H. Turner).........Owner 10 4
PIGEON POST (Ld. Westmorland) Owner 10 4
MR. BUMBLE (Sir Mathew Wilson) W. Nightingall 10 4
ST. CROIX (Ld. Woolavington)......Gore 10 4
(The above have arrived.)
KITTY MOUNT (Mr. G. C. Lees-Milne) Powell 11 5
HE SINGS (Mr. P. G. A. Harvey) W. Nightingall 11 3
ALEPPON (Mr. G. Barclay).........Barclay 11 0
BURNING THOUGHTS (Mr. W. F. Larkin) Owner 10 10
SED (Mr. A. B. Coyle)...............Fordred 10 9
DONAGHADEE (Lt.-Commander E. W. B. Leake) ....A. Waugh 10 9
ESPEROS (Mr. Z. G. Michalinos)...Poole 10 9
FIRST COME (Mr. Philip Mond)......Gore 10 9
TEMIBLE (Mr F. C. Parker) Wm. Griggs 10 9
MARKSMAN (Mr. J. A. Phillips) W. Nightingall 10 9
ST. ANDREW (Mr. R. de Reuter) J. Kelly 10 9
WARFIELD (Mr. G. F. Waller)......Smyth 10 9
CHIRON (Mr. H. Abrahams)......Poole 10 4
ITALIAN POET (Mr. H. H. Benjamin) F. Archer 10 4
LLANGERIA (Mr. M. D. Blair)......Owner 10 4
LORD BEN (Mr. A. H. Boutall)......Duller 10 4
LASIDO (Mr. J. P. Chapman).........Owner 10 4
FORTUITOUS (Mr. Cullinson).........Owner 10 4
ENGLISH FARE (J. T. Coltman) Butchers 10 4
EAST AFRICA (Mr G. C. Lee-Milne) Powell 10 4
WOODHILL (Mr. G. Robson)......Private 10 4
MALTOI (Miss H. Rodocanachi)...Powell 10 4
TAGNUS (Mr. G. Sandford Poole) Chapman 10 4
EARLY SURPRISE (Mrs. C. Stevens) C. Stevens 10 4
WINOYA (Mr. H. Banes Walker)......Poole 10 4

2.30—SOUTHERN DOUBLE HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 400 sovs., being 200 sovs. for each class. Second receives 30 sovs., and third 20 sovs.

Class I.

Winner after December 10, noon, of a handicap steeplechase 8lb. ex.; horses handicapped at 12st. or upwards only 4lb. ex.; ent. 3 sovs (41 ent.)—Closed December 1.

CLASS I. Age st. lb.
CLASHING ARMS (Col. Anthony) Hastings a 12 7
EUREKA II. (Ld. Woolavington) R. Gore a 11 7
THROWN IN (Ld. Stalbridge) O. Anthony a 10 10
UNIQUE (Lt.-Col. J. Starkey) Hastings a 10 8
GEM (Major Norrie) ....G. Bennett a 10 7
(The above have arrived.)
BLAZING CORN (Mr. Kershaw) O. Anthony a 12 4
ARDEEN (Sir K. Fraser) ....Private a 12 3
UNCLE JACK (Capt. Gollan) ...G. Poole 6 11 5
BEN CRUCHAN (Mr. Whitbread) G. Bennett a 11 2
DRINMOND (Capt. Orr) ....Bennett a 11 2
AMMONAL (Mr. J. Wood) ......Stanley a 11 2
LIGHTFOOT (Mr. Brownhill) ..W. Payne a 11 1
PROGRESS (Mrs. D'A. Baker) ...Martin a 10 11
WHITE SURREY (Sir H. Meux) R. Gore a 10 10
WESTOWN (Mr. Berry) ....Whitaker 6 10 8
CASH BOX (Mr. H. Allan) ....Woodland a 10 8
SILVER SOMME (Mr. Hutton) W. Nightingall a 10 7
TEST MATCH Mr. Mosenthal) ...Martin a 10 7
NAVANA (Baroness Zouche) ......A. Law a 10 7

3.0—WINTER HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 200 sovs. Second receives 20 sovs., and third 10 sovs. 2 m. Age st. lb.
FESTOON (Mr. F. H. W. Cundell) Cundell 5 10 13
CHARLES SURFACE (Mr. E. A. Wigan) Gore a 10 11
HERBERT'S CHOICE (Mr. J. Graeme Thomson) ....F. A. Brown 4 10 10
TUTANKHAMEN (Mr. E. R. Thompson) R. Thompson 4 10 5
SODALIS (Mr. A. H. Tennent) ... Tuner 6 10 0
(The above have arrived.)
DUDLEY (Lord Londesborough) H. A. Brown a 12 7
FIRST MAGIC (Mrs. H. Peel)......Poole 5 12 0
CRIMSON DAWN (Mr. W. A. Read) A. Escott 6 11 11
CROCK HILL (Mr. E. G. Goby) Owner a 11 4
KINNAIRD (Mr. Eric Platt).........Poole 5 11 1
PETER PAX (Mr. H. Smyth)......Owner 5 11 1
TOMAHAWK (Mr.M.Weil) W. Nightingall a 10 12
AGNCOURT (Mr. J. Graeme Thomson) F. A. Brown 5 10 11
DANDY DESMOND (Mrs. E. Brock) G. Bennett 4 10 10
LINDHOLM (Mr. J. C. Mackay)...Owner 5 10 9
SANDY HOOK (Mr. J. H. Hull) T. Leader 4 10 5
REDLYNCH (Mr. G. F. Strong) Smyth 4 10 4
TRUTHFUL JAMES (Mr. G. C. Lees-Milne) ....Powell 4 10 3
CAPPAWHITE (Mr. H. T. Rich) Cundell 4 10 0

3.30—YEAR'S END HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 200 sovs. Second receives 20 sovs., and third 10 sovs. 2 m. Age st. lb.
IRISH LIGHT (Mr. A. Law)......Owner a 12 1
HEAD MASTER (Mr T. W. Blenkiron) W. Nightingall a 11 8
RED OR (Mr. J. W. Wood) ... Stanley 6 11 7
PONGO (Baron F. de Tuyll) F. Hartigan 4 11 1
LOBLOLLY (Capt. Bankier) ... Hastings a 10 10
RATHLUCK (Lord Londesborough) H. A. Brown a 10 7
TULLYLOST (Mrs. J. Putnam)......Poole 6 10 4
(The above have arrived.)
VIVE (Lt.-Col. J. H. Starkey)...Hastings a 12 7
ARDUOUS (Maj. C. Norrie) G. Bennett a 12 6
MAXTOI (Mr. Eric Platt)............Poole a 12 4
CLYVIDA (Mr. F. W. Keen) H. Harrison a 12 3
BEGGAR'S END (Capt. J. E. H. Orr) G. Bennett a 12 2
HUGH O'NEILL (Capt. R. Vivian) Gore a 11 9
NORTHERN LINNET (Lord Blandford) McDougal 5 11 9
WILD TIMES (Mrs. A. Crichton) H. A. Brown a 11 6
LUKESTON (Mr. R. Goad) J. Nightingall a 11 4
MARABOU (Capt. A. Gollan)......Poole 4 11 4
WORD OF HONOUR (Lt.-Col. E. R. Wayland) .... Champneys 6 10 12
DASH O' WHITE (Mr. W. Clarke) Goby 5 10 8

SPORTING PARAGRAPHS.

Valiant and Zanoni will take up stud duties in the forthcoming season.

Doubtful runner at Lingfield Park — Ashdown Hurdle—Early Surprise.

Dargos has been struck out of all engagements in Mr. C. L. MacKean's name.

Doubtful runners at Haydock Park:—Saturday Selling—Master Percy. Newton Hurdle—Drumhirk.

In the final of the Ladies' Squash Rackets Championship, at Queen's Club, London, yesterday, Miss C. Fenwick beat Miss N. Cave, 15-12, 15-11.

The statutory general meeting of the Turf Club and of the Irish National Hunt Steeplechase Committee will be held at the Registry Office, Dublin, on Monday, January 4th.

Mr. T. J. Clarke, manager of the Balreask Stud, Co. Meath, has purchased for service there the well-bred stallion Torlonia, by Phalaris out of Tortona by Swinford, her dam Marchetta by Marco out of Hettie Sorrel by Peter.

Non-Runners at Haydock Park:—Saturday Selling—Pizarro, Snow Lea and Smerdis. Haydock Handicap Steeplechase—Phantom Bold. Juvenile Selling—Quadrangle. Newton Hurdle—Holy War and Newburgh. Club Steeplechase—Pothook.

The Australian Cricket Board of Control has accepted the invitation of the Ceylon Cricket Association to play a match at Colombo on their way to England. The Australians are expected to arrive at Colombo on the 23rd March.

The match between Mrs. Jones's Mr. Madcap and Mr. T. Richardson's Vishnu, for 500 sovs. aside—full forfeit—two miles over hurdles, each to carry eleven stone, will be run at 12.30 on the second day of the Wolverhampton Meeting, which takes place on December 28th and 29th.

Lefebve, the jockey whose mount fell at Hurst Park last Saturday, is far more seriously hurt than was at first anticipated. He is still confined to bed, the trouble being a swelling in his back, in addition to a kick in the chest.

The death of Alcazar, which has just been reported, is a serious blow to his owner, Sir Robert McAlpine, who purchased the horse from his son, Mr. W. H. McAlpine, with a view to winning the Grand National. Alcazar, who was nine years old, was last seen in public at Hawthorn Hill in October, when he came to grief in a three miles' steeplechase won by Mask On.

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HAYDOCK PARK RESULTS.

1.0—BRYN THREE-YEAR-OLD HURDLE RACE of £120. Second £10. 1½ m.
Sir D. Broughton's ch. c. KENTISH GLADE, by Rochester—Fairy Glen, 11-3...E. Foster 1
Mr. H. Adams's NOTARY, 10-7........W. Stott 2
Mr. W. Davies's COTTAGE GIRL, 10-7 W. Newton 3

Also ran—Phaethon (Lenehan), Howe Hill (Mr. S. Dennis), Blue Anchor (Owner), Gregalash (A. Brace), Cydgar (P. Grace), Costermonger (A. Waudby). Off 1.1. (Winner trained by Coulthwaite.)

Betting.—3 to 1 on KENTISH GLADE, 10 to 1 agst. Cygdar, 100 to 7 any other.

Won by four lengths; eight lengths.

1.30—COUNTY SELLING STEEPLECHASE of £150. Second £5. 2 m.
Captain C. W. Brennaud's br. g. JUMP FOR JOY, by B George—Eithne O'Malley, 5, 11-4 E. Sully 1
Mr. O'Brien's BOOMERANG, 8, 11-8...E. Foster 2
Captain H. de Trafford's THE HEIR, 11, 11-8 J. McNeill 3

Also ran—Master Macree (C. Johnson), Grecnogue (W. Thatcher), Ada (J. Mason), Magadi (Waudby), Irish Delight (J. Hamey). Off 1.30. (Winner trained by Brennand.)

Betting.—13 to 8 agst. Boomerang, 5 to 2 The Heir, 7 to 1 Greenogue, 8 to 1 Ada, 100 to 8 each JUMP FOR JOY and any other.

Won by a length; five lengths.

2.0—GARSWOOD HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of £250. Second £20 and third £10. 2 m.
Mr. R. Bownass's ch. g. LOW TIDE, by Lomond—Wavinta, 7, 11-9 ....V. Piggott 1
Mr. Oppenheim's BELGIAN BOY, 6, 10-10 E. Foster 2
Mr. C. Barlow's SPINNEY HILL, 5, 10-10 E. Parker 3

Also ran—Lenglen (Stott), Wind Swept (Threlfell), Celestial (Lenehan), Major-Ray (J. Goswell), Joseph the First (Waudby); Guinea Stamp (J. Paxton). Off 2.1. (Winner trained by Coulthwaite.)

Betting.—3 to 1 agst. Lenglen, 7 to 2 each LOW TIDE and Belgian Boy, 8 to 1 each Joseph the First and Guinea Stamp, 100 to 8 any other.

Won by three lengths; a bad third.

2.30—LOWTON SELLING HURDLE RACE £150. Second £5. 2 m.
Mr. Bowness's b. g. GLENFARG, by Bridge of Earn—Heron's Rest, a, 12-3 ...V. Piggott 1
Mrs. Barthropp's BED ROCK, a, 12-3 E. Foster 2
Mr. Burke's HOLY FOOKS, a, 12-3 J. Moloney 3

Also ran—Bucket (J. Davis), Sanla (W. Newton), Magic Ring (Haley), Sobriety (F. Mason), Birchanger (Waudby), Rosanoff (R. Lyall), Bridge of Cahir (A. Vasey), Pomade (E. Sully). Off 2.30. (Winner trained by Coulthwaite.)

Betting—5 to 2 agst. Holy Fooks, 7 to 2 GLENFARG, 8 to 1 each Magic Ring and Bucket, 10 to 1 any other.

Won by a neck; six lengths.

3.0—MAKERFIELD HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 200 sovs. Second 20 sovs. 2 m.
Mr. Hood's b. g. RATHMORE, by Drinmore—Avarine, a, 11-0 ....Waudby 1
Mr. Murland's SOOTHING GLASS, a, 12-5 P. Grace 2
Mrs. Baron's ARRAVALE, a, 11-12 J. McNeill 3

Also ran—Wild Times (J. Kelly), Melleray's Belle (Lenehan), Teviot (Threlfell), Hagiology (Mr. P. Dennis), Landrock (W. Stott), Gibus (V. Piggott), H.R.H. (E. Davy). Off 3.1. (Winner trained by Peacock.)

Betting—7 to 4 agst. Soothing Glass, 5 to 1 Arravale, 6 to 1 H.R.H., 8 to 1 each Gibus and Hagiology, 10 to 1 each RATHMORE or any other.

Won by three-quarters of a length; four lengths.

3.30—WIGAN STEEPLECHASE of 120 sovs. Second 10 sovs. 3 m.
Mr. Sharp's b. g. KWANGO, by Kwang Su—Farcical, 4, 10-12 ....J. Hamey 1
Mr. Laidlaw's FLY MASK, a, 12-10 Mr. Filmer Sankey 2
Mr. Unwin's CHICOT, 5, 12-0 ....E. Sully 3

Also ran—Sutton Wick (V. Piggott), Fasthe Filly (F. Croney). Off 3.31. (Winner trained by Saxby.)

Betting—7 to 4 on Fly Mask, 9 to 2 agst. KWANGO, 7 to 1 Sutton Wick, 10 to 1 Chicot, 100 to 7 Fasthe Filly.

Won by a head; three lengths. Fasthe Filly fell.

TO-DAY'S PROGRAMME AND SELECTIONS.

St. Helen's Steeplechase—**Misconduct.**

Saturday Hurdle—**Pommel.**

Haydock Steeplechase—**West Countryman**, each way.

Juvenile Hurdle—**Nothing Higher** or **Rooley Lad.**

Newton Hurdle—**White Mountain.**

Club Steeplechase—**Splash Me***; if absent, **Wild Dennis.**

DOUBLE—**Crock Hill** and **Splash Me.**

1.0—ST. HELENS HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 150 sovs. Second receives 10 sovs. 3 m. Age st. lb.
MARSIN (Mr. C. Baron) ...G. Armstrong a 12 7
ROUSHAM (Mr. H. Dennis) (7lb. ex.) D. Harrison a 12 6
TRUMP CARD (G. Nairn) ...W. Renwick a 12 4
GARDENRATH (Mr. F. Waring) Barthropp a 11 12
RATHMORE (Mr. A. Hood) ...Peacock a 11 10
PARKANESKA (Ld. Grimthorpe) Bazley 6 11 9
ALL WHITE (Ld. Wavertree)..Fergusson a 11 5
MISCONDUCT (Maj. Methven) ...Powell 6 11 2
CROFT HOUSE (Mr. F. Sankey) Owner a 11 2
(The above have arrived.)
JIMMU (Mr. G. Sanday) ....Owner a 12 6

1.30—SATURDAY SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 140 sovs. Second receives 5 sovs. 2 m. Age st. lb.
LIMBER DANCER (Mr. Burke) Dawson a 12 7
REGICLES (Mr. Parry)............Bullock a 11 10
VISHNU (Mr. Richardson) ... Barthropp 6 11 6
BROMIDE (Mr. Thompson) J. Wilson 5 11 5
KLARINSKI (Mr. Renton).........Renton 5 11 1
PRETTY DOLLY (Mr. Watson) F. Lyall 4 10 13
SILVER MINE (Mr. Hartley)......Ridley 4 10 13
MISS CONTRARY (Mr. Coulthwaite) Coulthwaite 4 10 9
HACKROSS (Mr. Longmate)......Bickley 6 10 5
ULIDIA (Mr. Pollard).............Private a 10 3
THE MERCHANT (Mr. Kimberley) Bullock a 10 2
BROWBOROUGH (Mr. O'Sullivan) Owner 3 10 0
(The above have arrived.)
POMMEL (Mr. Moldram).......C. Flynn 6 12 1
TOMMY GREY (Mr. Greenwood) Moss 5 12 0
FORNOVO (Mrs. Sanday)..........Sanday 6 11 12
MASTER PERCY (Capt. Whitworth) J. Renwick 4 11 10
PIZARRO (Mrs. Smith)..........J. Lyall 5 11 9
OLIVE LEAF (Mr. M'Donald) ...... Ray 5 11 9
LANDMAN (Mr. Barton).........J. Scott a 11 8
MACHALL (Mr. Heneage)............Hall 5 11 8
PLUMADO (Miss Rodocanachi) Powell 5 11 8
SNOW LEA (Sir E. Hoyle) Armstrong 4 11 7
SMERDIS (Mr. Read) ....G. Read 5 11 5
BOYNE BRIDGE (Mr. Shedden)..Shedden a 11 5
CIGARMET (Mr. Moulding) ...... Owner 5 11 3
LIMENIOS (Mr. Greenwood) ...... Moss 5 11 3
LADY ROSE (Mr. Renton)...... Renton 6 11 2
GANESHA (Mr. Hepworth)...A. Vasey 5 11 2
MUSIC STAR (Mr. M'Lean) ... Scullion 4 11 1
ROMAN ROAD (Mr. Mealings) Butchers 4 11 1
KISSING SONG (Mr. Cummins) Newey 4 11 1
MOUNT ATHOS (Mr. Wyllie) ... Wyllie 4 11 0
DRINK-LESS (Mr. H. Brown) ... Brown 6 10 13
EDNA'S CHOICE (Miss Wharton) J. L. Ward 6 10 13
BILSTHORPE (Miss Haywood) T. Sheridan, jun. a 10 12
FIGHTING LIGHTS (Mr. Evans) Ray 4 10 10
CALL THE GAME (Mr. Brueton) C. Jones a 10 9
LINGGI'S BOY (Mr. H. Broadley) Wilson a 10 7
CONFIDENT (Mr. Hodgson)......Gunter 5 10 0

2.0—HAYDOCK PARK HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 250 sovs. Second receives 20 sovs. and third 10 sovs. 2 m. Age st. lb.
GANZEY (Mr. C. Williams) D. Harrison a 12 2
TREBLE APPLAUSE (Mr. J. Ramsden) Bazley 5 11 9
HYMIR (Mr. K. W. Milnes) C. Piggott a 11 5
WEST COUNTRYMAN (Sir R. Jardine) Coulthwaite a 11 4
GLANMORE (Duke of Westminster) McDougal 5 11 1
COLESTOWN (Mr. H. Deterding) R. Payne a 10 13
GOLDEN STREET (Capt. R. E. Sassoon) Martin a 10 9
POLYNIA (Mr. H. Dyke Dennis) Newey 6 10 6
SCOTTY RIG (Maj. W. Neilson) F. Armstrong 5 10 3
CORNEY GRAIN (Mr. A. Knowles) Fergusson a 10 2
(The above have arrived.)
DUDLEY (Lord Londesborough) H. A. Brown a 12 7
PHANTOM BOLD (Sir R. Liddell) Peacock a 11 2

2.30—JUVENILE SELLING HURDLE RACE of 140 sovs. Second receives 5 sovs. 1½ m. st. lb.
POMADE (Lord Barnby) ....Smallwood 10 12
NOTHING HIGHER (Mr. H. Brueton) C. Piggott 10 12
RIDGEWAY (Mr. M. Cummins) ...Newey 10 12
TRIPLEX (Mrs. Rose Don) ......Thomson 10 12
BLUE ANCHOR (Mr. R. N. Fawcett) J. Renwick 10 12
OUTWARD BOUND (Mr. R. N. Fawcett) J. Renwick 10 12
TOR CREEK (Sir E. Hoyle) W. Renwick 10 12
BARNEY GOOGLE (Mr. A. D. McAlpine) H. Harrison 10 12
OLOROSO (Mrs. W. Renwick) W. Renwick 10 12
ROOLEY LAD (Mr. O. Tordoff) Hamshaw 10 12
(The above have arrived.)
COURAMOUNT (Capt. E. Angler) Owner 10 12
TURPIN (Mr. R. C. Atkinson) ...Reader 10 12
MRS. PEACH (Mr. W. Barker) ...Renton 10 12
STRUMLEVER (Mr. L. Brooks) T. Green 10 12
JOHN TULLY (Mr. H. Cope) ...Shedden 10 12
QUADRANGLE (Mrs. N. S. Gritt) Gilbert 10 12
PAGAN KING (Capt. Lawson Johnston) Private 10 12
EAST AFRICA (Mr. G. Lees-Milne) Powell 10 12
PLUMAGE (Mr. L. Oppenheim) Barthropp 10 12
KITTY MOUNT (Miss Rodocanachi) Powell 10 12
SIR LAWRENCE (Mr. S. Rose) Smallwood 10 12
KING OF THULE (Mrs. J. Scott) J. Scott 10 12
TWO QUID (Mr. E. Tyrwhitt-Drake) MacColl 10 12
JOLLY GEORGE (Mr. W. Webster) Cole 10 12

3.0—NEWTON HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 150 sovs. Second 20 sovs. 2 m. Age st. lb.
CYCLAX (Mr. A. Walker).....Coulthwaite 6 12 7
WHITE MOUNTAIN (Major Renwick) W. Renwick 5 12 6
VERNEUIL (Mr. Welch) ....Newey 5 11 9
JOSEPH THE FIRST (Mr. Williams) D. Harrison a 11 6
JOHN WYSE (Mr. O'Sullivan) ....Owner 4 11 2
OLIVEBURY (Mrs. F. Smith).....J. Lyall 4 11 0
MANISTER STAR (Mr. Brown) ..Bullock 5 10 13
BEESTON (Ld. Wavertree) ....Fergusson 4 10 9
NAPTHA (Mr. Coulthwaite) ....Owner 4 10 9
SORREL (Mr. D. Dennis) ..D. Harrison a 10 2
(The above have arrived.)
BLUETTE (Mr. C. Davis) ......C. Davis 5 12 4
CHECKTAKER (Mr. H. Harrison) Owner 4 12 3
LEGEND (Mr. M'Lean) ....McGuigan 5 11 12
WISE PRINCE (Mr. Blake) ....Blake a 11 11
HOLY WAR (Mr. Lumsden) ....Binnie 6 11 10
DRUMHIRK (Mr. Deterding) ....Payne 5 11 10
NEWBURGH (Mr. Egerton) ..Armstrong 4 11 7
KEROSENE (Mr. Platt) ....Barthropp 4 11 7
POMMINETTA (Mrs. Aston) ......Bazley 4 11 7
HILTON (Mr. Keen) ....H. Harrison 4 11 6
THIEF (Mrs. Wybergh) ....Wybergh 5 11 4
HAT ROCK (Mr. F. Sharp) ....Saxby 4 11 4
PABLO (Mr. R. Sinclair) ....Elsey 5 11 0
TRUSTY (Mr. Hutton) ....Chamberlain 5 10 13
SNOW CREST (Mr. Peacock) ....Peacock a 10 13
BAALBECK (Mr. Shafto) ......A. Vasey a 10 12
BLACK MINER (Mr. H. Kenyon) ..Dodd a 10 12
ORGANIST (Mr. Hoyle)............Reader 4 10 10
PONT ROYAL (Mr. Duckworth) ....Tabor 4 10 9
FIDDLEBACK (Mr. J. Burns) ......Burns 6 10 9
ILSTON MUTE (Lady Palmer) ..Palmer 6 10 7
MR. PORTA (Mr. Morrison) J. B. Morrison a 10 7

3.30—CLUB STEEPLECHASE of 120 sovs. Second receives 10 sovs. 2 m. Age st. lb.
LAST MATCH (Mrs. A. Bickley) Bickley a 11 4
WILD DENNIS (Mr. F. Sankey) Owner 6 11 4
PHALANX (Mr. H. H. Rose) ...Owner a 11 4
LOWER SELLER (Mr. H. Walker) Rose 6 11 4
KLARINSKI (Mr. R. Renton) ...Owner 5 11 1
COMMANDANT DAN (Mr. McLoughlin) McDougal 5 11 1
(The above have arrived.)
SPLASH ME (Mr. C. A. Clark) Private a 11 4
MILBURN (Mr. H. Dyke Dennis) Newey a 11 4
POTHOOK (Mr. G. Dodd) ......Peacock 6 11 4
UPPERGRANGE (Mr. B. Pease) Owner a 11 4
BASTILE (Mr. W. Sale) ....Laye a 11 4
GAWTHORPE (Mr. N. Senior) ...Renton a 11 4
LOTUS LAND (Mr. H. Kenyon) Bazley 4 10 7
THE GRIPPER (Mr. W. Murray) Private 4 10 7
CLORINGO (Mr. J. C. Paterson) Barthropp 4 10 7
GIBSIDE (Mr. J. Watson) ......Private 4 10 7

HUNTING.

HUNTING APPOINTMENTS.

THE WARD UNION.

Date.	Meet.	Hour
To-day	Kilsallaghan	1.30
Wednesday, 23rd	Culmullen	1.30
Saturday, 26th	Priestown Cross Roads.	1.30

THE MEATH.

Date.	Meet.	Hour
Monday, 21st	Dunderry Park	11. 0
Tuesday, 22nd	Kilbride Cross Roads	11. 0
Thursday, 24th	Allenstown	11. 0

THE KILDARE.

Date.	Meet.	Hour
To-day	Maynooth	11. 0
Monday, 21st	Bishopscourt	11. 0
Wednesday, 23rd	Dunlavin	11. 0
Saturday, 26th	Straffan Bridge	11. 0

CO. GALWAY HUNT (THE BLAZERS).—December—Wednesday, 23rd, Rockfield; Monday, 28th, St. Cleran's; Wednesday, 30th, Mount Hazell. January—Saturday, 2nd, Cappataggle; Monday, 4th, Tuam, 11.30; Thursday, 7th, Oranmore, 11.30; Saturday, 9th, Kilmeen Cross-roads. At 11 o'clock.

NAAS HARRIERS.—An extra meet has been arranged for next week—viz., for Wednesday, 23rd inst., at the Stand House, Curragh, at 12 o'clock.

HILLSIDE HARRIERS.—Meet to-day, at Firhouse, at 2 o'clock; Wednesday, 23rd, Greenhills, at 2 o'clock.

THE KILDARE HOUNDS.

This pack has been favoured with a continuance of excellent sport. The meet on Thursday, December 10th, was at Ballitore, and an excellent day's fox hunting ensued. Drew Narraghmore Wood and ran a fox hard for ten minutes before killing him. We then went on to Narraghmore Bog and soon had another fox on foot. Our pilot led us over the main road to the right of Ballymount, and across the Hill of Usk into Ballintaggart, where hounds marked their fox to ground after a nice hunt of thirty minutes. We now had a long jog to Bull Hill, but were well rewarded for our efforts, a capital hunt of one hour and forty minutes resulting. Hounds ran hard to Black Hall and on to Narraghmore small bog, where the first check occurred. "Alf" soon had matters right, and they hunted at a slower pace into Narraghmore Wood. The fox had evidently lain down, as our hunted fox was viewed away, and hounds hunted at best pace to Black Hall, thence left-handed over the hill as if for Bull Hill covert, but, not entering the covert, got to ground in a sand pit close by. This was unfortunate, as the pit was stopped with bushes; but he had somehow managed to nose his way through, and so saved his brush.

Saturday, 12th—Courtown Gate. A hard frost overnight made hunting doubtful. However, after waiting an hour, our Master decided to chance it, and a first-class day resulted. The going, however, was always on the hard side and the roads, in places, covered with ice. Courtown was drawn first and quickly responded, the fox leading us over a delightful line of country before going to ground after about a mile. Major Aylmer was delighted to have definitely located this hiding place; an unknown refuge had been suspected, but all efforts to trace it had failed. Another covert in Courtown was now tried, and a brace, if not three, foxes were quickly on foot. These, however, were of an unenterprising order and, after local hunting, were given up. The supply of foxes at Courtown is the best for many years, and promises well for sport in the New Year.

A move was now made to Laragh, and hounds were soon racing over a lovely riding country to Tagadoe. This covert they entered and after a short delay covered a faint line, as if for Cullen's, and then right-hand to Bryanstown. Scent had so changed after Tagadoe that it was surmised our hunted fox remained behind in covert, while we went on with a fresh fox who had left some time before, on hearing hounds approach. Craigh Sallagh was now the order, and after much local hunting in covert our fox finally broke in the direction of Rathcoffey. Hounds were running their hardest and forced him through that covert over the road and straight for Collier's gorse. This he left on his right, as if for Toughtown Wood, but short of the Kilcock-Pailstown road turned sharp left-handed, as if for Rathcoffey village. A slight check occurred, but hounds puzzled out the line over that good sportsman, Mr. Coonan's, farm, and on again at a vastly-improved pace to just short of Craig Sallagh, where hounds were stopped in failing light. A good day, in a good country, it was a pleasure to watch hounds hunting so beautifully together; they were unlucky not to be rewarded.

Tuesday, December 15th—Kilmeague. A hard frost, and hunting out of the question.

THE SCARTEEN "BLACK AND TANS."

FROM A CORRESPONDENT.

Up to date there have been several good hunts with these hounds. On Saturday, 12th inst., we had a fast and almost straight hunt of five miles from Ballywire. But our hardest day resulted from the Kilteely tryst last Wednesday, 16th inst. It was half an hour after time when the Master moved off to try the covert at the back of the village. Hounds were in the covert quite a long time before a grand old "campaigner" was roused, and, going away over the Hospital road, he pointed for the earths which lie in that good sportsman's (Mr. William Guerin's) farm at Wonderhill, but, being headed, he swung sharply to the right and crossed the Kilteely-Wonderhill road. Hounds were running at high pressure and continued parallel to the Herbertstown-Old Pallas road for about a mile. Then bearing left-handed they ran almost to the graveyard at Crossalogta. Here we encountered a line of big trenches and grief was abundant. Turning right-handed hounds ran at a clinking pace to Ballynagally, where they checked. This was a welcome breather, as we had been well on the stretch up to here. However, hounds were soon on the line again, and ran on towards Cloverfield, short of which they bore right-handed over the Old Pallas road, and thence on through Ballytrasna to Knockseefin Hill. Bearing left-handed they now ran along the side of this hill, leaving Bunarie on our right; through Tobbernarughilla, and into the old covert at Linfield. After some delay here hounds worked on slowly towards Mountsion, near which our fox got to ground. This was a right good hunt of an hour and a half, and although the point measures no more than 4½ miles on the map, a considerable extent of very fine country was covered.

The pace was very fast during the first half, and a large number of the field were satisfied that they had enough, and did not come on to our second draw at Cromhill, back to which we had a long jog. On our arrival there we learned that a fox had left shortly before. However, directly hounds were put into Mitchell's end of the covert they opened. A fox broke on the lower side, and then a real good hunt followed, our fox making a wide tour of a fine, sound, bank country, and back to where he was found, after covering fully nine miles in the good time of 55 minutes.

To hark back to the start. Hounds went away with a superb cry and ran the full length of Mr. Roger Frewen's farm, leaving his house on the right, and then across the Kilteely road to the left of Cromwell's Fort, and continued on over the well-known Scrag Valley, as though Derk was the objective, but, bearing slightly to the right, they ran almost to the village of Knockaunavoher, where they checked momentarily. The pace up to here was very hot, and the line absolutely perfect. Working on again, but mercifully at a slower pace, we hunted for a long way over a delightful bit of country, parallel to the Knockaunavoher-Emly road, into Chancellorsland. From here we completed a big circle before crossing what is known as the Duncummin road, near Ballyvistea, with hounds showing to great advantage. Bearing left-handed, we returned past Cromwell's Fort, and thence back again to the covert at Cromhill, where our hard-pressed fox was left, as it was getting dark, and the horses of the few enthusiasts who remained to the end were done to a turn. So ended a really wonderful day's hunting, because it was obviously not the very best of scenting days, and hounds deserved the greatest credit for the performance which they put up. A number of cross-Channel visitors are enjoying the sport with us this season, and still many more would be very welcome.

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RUGBY.

FIRST INTERPROVINCIAL.

LEINSTER V. MUNSTER.

Leinster and Munster meet to-day at Lansdowne road in the first of this season's trial games. The Leinster team, as it was selected, was a very formidable one, and, with C. F. Halloran as captain, looked on paper a side that would take some beating by either Munster or Ulster. Halloran, one of the best of the Irish forwards, unfortunately, will not be able to play, and, worse still, will not be available for the international games later on. T. J. Millin, who played such a fine game against Cambridge on Thursday, is also unlikely to play. In his absence Hogan, of Lansdowne, will come into the three-quarter line, and J. V. Murphy of Monkstown, will fill the vacancy in the forward line. No changes have been notified on the Munster side, which is considered to be strong, but little is known in Leinster of the form down South. Munster sides can always be depended upon to put up a strong forward fight, and usually upset the calculations of opposing teams. There are many new names among the players selected for to-day's game, and, in view of the great revival in the game down South, it is quite on the cards that a surprise may be in store for Leinster. Teams:—

LEINSTER.

Full-back—(1) D. Kennedy (Wanderers).

Three-quarters—Wings—(2) D. Cussen (Dublin University) and (3) A. P. Atkins (Bective Rangers); Centres—(4) T. J. Millin (Dublin University) and (5) J. B. Ganly (Monkstown).

Half-backs—Outside—(6) E. Davy (National University); Scrum—(7) M. Sugden (Dublin University).

Forwards—(8) A. M. Buchanan (Dublin University), (9) C. J. Cagney (Wanderers), (10) J. D Clinch (Wanderers), (11) W. R. Collis (Wanderers), (12) James Farrell (Bective Rangers), (13) R. Flood (Dublin University), (14) R. D. Gray (Old Wesley), (15) J. F. Murphy (Monkstown).

MUNSTER.

Full-back—Williamson (Dolphin).

Three-quarters—Russell (Young Munster), O'Connor (Garryowen), Hegarty (Garryowen), Murphy (Constitution).

Half-backs—Wellwood (Bohemians) and Stokes (Bohemians).

Forwards—Hanrahan (Dolphin), Bradley (Dolphin), Mahony (Dolphin), Quilligan (Garryowen), McNamara (Garryowen), Hanley (Garryowen), Graham (Bohemians), O'Garvey (Young Munster).

Referee—Mr. T. Bell.

TO-DAY'S FIXTURES.

Leinster v. Munster. Lansdowne road, 2.30.
University College (Cork) v. Lansdowne. Cork.
Collegians v. Queen's University. Belfast.
N.I.F.C. v. Instonians. Belfast.
Co Kildare v. Wanderers 2nd. Naas.
Old Wesley 2nd v. Monkstown 2nd (J.L.) Donnybrook.
Malahide 2nd v. Wanderers 3rd. Malahide.
College of Surgeons v. Carlow. Carlow.
Palmerston II. v. Civil Service. Clonskeagh.
Shannon v. R. and S.P.U. Limerick.
Wills' v. Co. Wicklow. Terenure.
University College 2nd v. Malahide. Terenure.
Monkstown 3rd v. Old Wesley 3rd. Sydney parade.
Old Wesley 3rd "A" v. Monkstown 3rd "A." Milltown.
High School (S.C.T.) v. St. Columba's College (S.C.T.) Rathfarnham.
High School (J.C.T.) v. St. Columba's College (J.C.T.). Belgrave square.
Y.M.C.A. v. Mountjoy School. Claremont road.
R. and S.P.U. 2nd v. Y.M.C.A. Park avenue.
Civil Service 2nd v. Palmerston 3rd. Cabra.
University College 3rd v. C.Y.M.S. St. Mary's, Rathmines.
Palmerston 2nd v. Civil Service. Clonskeagh.

TEAMS FOR TO-DAY.

Lansdowne—W. E. Crawford; J. K. Murray, H. C. Dodds, R. E. M'Guire, E. J. Lightfoot; T. A. O'Reilly, H. W. Jack; W. Brown, F. Conroy, M. Dunn, E. A. Heard, A. Higgins, T. O. Pike, J. D. Rooney, J. Smith.

Wanderers 2nd—Patterson; M'Keever, Carroll, M'Keever, Higginbotham, Nunan, Mavitz; Carroll, Anderson, Ryland, Fisher, Murray, Keatinge, Mayne, Another. (12.30 train from Kingsbridge.)

Palmerston 2nd—B. Walsh; H. C. Rose, W. A. Ritchie, C. Joyce, E. Thompson; R. E. Russell, E. A. Hipwell; J. E. Kerr, J. V. Locktie, C. E. Lucas, C. N. Kirwan, H. J. Draper, J. C. Cathcart, J. Graham, F. Howard.

Wills—N. J. Marsh; J. Stack, C. Quigley, D. J. M'Donagh, H. L. Millington; C. R. Bulmer, E. Drought; B. L. Morley, P. A. O'Hara, W. J. O'Ferrall, A. Stuart, B. Evans, T. Dalton, H. V. Thompson, H. G. Gaffney.

Civil Service—J. M'Cullagh; D. O'Dwyer, A. P. Kennedy, R. M. Wallace, J. Stewart; T. E. Haughton, M. M'Namara; T. Byrne, R. Butler, W. H. Fox, M. Fennell, W. Gregory, M. Kelly, L. A. Louth, C. Stack.

Civil Service 2nd—J. M'Allister; A. E. O'Loughlin, G. J. Boylan, J. Johnson, W. M'Sherry; J. V. Hunt, P. Hickey, W. M'Donnell, J. Butler, A. J. Carroll, B. Hogan, T. Mitchell, J. O'Dwyer, J. O'Sullivan, S. Connolly.

Malahide—D. Lee; J. Cowle, N. May, W. M. Harford, J. Keogh; F. Parkes, R. Healy; E. J. Doyle, J. Beggs, T. J. Johnston, D. J. Dickie, J. M'Culloch, A. Hendry, L. Smith.

Malahide 2nd—H. Pembrey; E. Warrington, J. Pembrey, J. M'Creadie, K. O'Neill; W. Cummisky, K. Cahill; T. Brangan, T. Burke, F. Flynn, K. Healy, C. Johnston, P. Harford, J. Duff, C. Seaver.

Old Wesley 2nd—R. C. Nixon; F. W. Elliott, W. M. Smith, V. K. Bailey, E. P. Hurse; J. M. Handcock, E. B. Tombe; H. D. Prim, A. Anketell, W. Gill, R. Johnston, W. B. Kay, S. H. M'Quitty, C. H. Adderley, A. W. Glanville.

EDINBURGH ACADEMICALS (3) V. OXFORD UNIVERSITY (0).

Oxford University failed at Edinburgh yesterday, the Academicals scoring a penalty goal (three points) to nothing. Injuries to Richardson and Nunn, who had to retire in the second half undoubtedly proved a great handicap; but even when they had their full team the dark blues could gain no superiority over their keen opponents. In fact, the Academicals tackled so well that Oxford were rarely seen in attack in the opening half, the only score of which was a penalty goal, kicked by J. A. Wright for Edinburgh. The conditions proved difficult, snow falling heavily at the start, and accurate handling was not an easy matter. On resuming, Oxford became aggressive and towards the finish made a great effort to pull off the match, but against a splendid defence their attacks soon broke down.

LANSDOWNE F.C.

Schoolboys desirous of playing in matches during the holidays are requested to send particulars as to school, age, and position on field to W. E. Crawford, 12 Sandford terrace, Ranelagh.

OLD ST. PATRICK'S v. DUBLIN UNIVERSITY 3rd A.—Would members of the Old St. Patrick's Club kindly note that this match arranged for to-day has been cancelled, at the request of Dublin University.

FOOTBALL AND DANCING SEASON. Football Jerseys, Pants, Dress Shirts, Waistcoats, etc., handed in by 10 a.m. on THURSDAY ready next day.—Court Laundry, Harcourt street.—(Advt.).

GOLF.

ROYAL DUBLIN V. IRISH BAR G.S.

The annual match between the Irish Bar Golfing Society and the Royal Dublin Club will be played to-day at Dollymount. The match will consist of 16 foursomes, and the first will start not later than 10.30.

The club team will play in the following order:—N. Manly, E. L. Kidd; J. D. Walsh, A. Chance; E. and W. Mooney; F. O. Stoker, T. L. Harrington; S. R. Lambert, E. S. Quin; P. Rooney, Shildrick; A. Lloyd Blood (capt.), J. H. Webb; Pentony, Dallas; W. H. Lowe, Hamerton; G. Sparrow, S. Mason; K. O'Duffy, L. Murphy; W. Purser, H. M. Eustace; J. W. Bacon, H. Horan; L. Werner, J. H. Barrington; H. Harrison, R. A. Anderson; J. Robb, W. Forsyth.

The following will represent the Irish Bar:—Fergus O'Connor and R. Grove White; Frederick Price, K.C., and Sir W. Boyd, K.C.; Joseph Healy and Denis Pringle; F. A. Kennedy and J. Dargan; A. Newett and John Healy; R. Leonard, K.C., and Paul McCarthy; W. Glover and P. J. Rowe; E. C. Micks and James Rearden; Michael Binchy and R. Holmes; B. Robinson and Kenneth Dockrell, K.C.; Keith Meares and Charles Kenny; W. Sainsbury and Gerald McCarthy; Richard Cherry and A. Blood; Vincent Rice, K.C., and Arthur Corbett.

The teams, club members and visitors, will dine together at 7 p.m.

CLONTARF.—To-day—Monthly medals, 12 holes (strokes).

HERMITAGE—To-morrow — Foursomes. Men's 18 holes bogey.

FOXROCK—December 26th—Fourball, eclectic; arrange partners; post entries. December 28th—Mixed foursomes, flag competition; arrange partners; post entries.

CIVIL SERVICE H. AND A.C.

Members meet at the pavilion, Elm Grove Park, Cabra, at 3 p.m. sharp for the four miles handicap. The race starts at 3.15. A 'bus, to the grounds, leaves St. Peter's Church, Phibsborough, at 2.30. The handicap is as follows:—Montague (scr.), Morgan (45 secs.), Duffy, Greenan (1 min.); McCarthy, Flynn, Thundor (2 mins.); Stack (2 mins. 30 secs.), McHugh (2 mins. 45 secs.), Little, Fitzhugh (3 mins. 15 secs.); D'Arcy, Doyle, Meade, Walsh (3 mins. 30 secs.); Donnelly, Kavanagh (4 mins. 15 secs.); Hennessy, Kilcullen, McNamara (5 mins. 15 secs.); McCabe, Lynch (5 mins. 30 secs.). Intending members who desire to participate will be handicapped on the field. The prizes will be presented in the pavilion after the race.

BILLIARDS.

NEWMAN v. SMITH.

Newman began the penultimate day's play in his time match with Smith, at Burroughes' Hall, with a lead of 704, but Smith was in good form and reduced this to 340 during the afternoon session, scoring 875 against the champion's 511. The ex-champion scored at a fast rate at the beginning of the session, making breaks of 132, 136 and 274. Newman's only response was 33. In the subsequent play Newman improved. He recorded runs of 236 and 102, and Smith 55, 50 and 15 unfinished. Interval scores:—Newman, 6,597; Smith (in play), 6,257.

Newman increased his lead at night, totalling 873 against Smith's 519. He compiled breaks of 148, 452—which included runs of 25 and 32 close cannons—and 115. Smith's chief breaks were 517, 56, and 42 (unfinished). Closing scores:—Newman, 7,470; Smith (in play), 6,776.

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HOCKEY.

DUBLIN UNIVERSITY (5) V. ABERDEEN UNIVERSITY (2).

By five goals to two, Dublin University beat a strong Aberdeen University team on a heavy ground yesterday in the College Park, before a fair sprinkling of spectators. The touring side, which included many of the members of the team that Trinity beat last season at Aberdeen by 4-1, had already this season met the other Scotch Universities, winning against St. Andrews, the results of the games against both Glasgow and Edinburgh being a draw in each case. Therefore, on paper it would appear that the Dublin XI. is better than any of the Scotch Universities XI.'s. It will be remembered that in January last the Trinity team had a most successful tour in the North and in Scotland, maintaining a clean bill throughout.

In their previous meeting Dublin University appeared to be rather lucky to win by such a comfortable margin as three clear goals, but in the College Park yesterday they always held the upper hand. One has to take into account the fact that the visitors' ground is of a sandy nature, and, as a consequence, is exceedingly very fast; whereas yesterday the game was played on a slow, heavy ground, which cut up towards the finish. This would account for the heavy defeat, for it was obvious that, clever as the Scotchmen were, they found the heavy going difficult. Despite this fact, their stick work was sound, particularly that of the centre-forward, D. D. Callaghan, who led the line in fine style, always seeing that his wings had plenty of the ball. The halves defended well, but the pick for the defence was H. A. Knight, the left full. He was well supported by J. S. Robertson, and time and time again he spoiled the Trinity attacks. M. Elmslie, in goal, had a lot to do, and, even if he was beaten five times, he also made some excellent saves. The pick of the home front line were W. D. Crawley, G. F. West and A. T. Williams. West, in the centre, did not open up the play as much as he might have done, but otherwise he played a sound game. All the backs were good when called upon.

The visitors were first to get going, but a good clearance by Connell sent the Trinity forwards away. They were awarded a short corner for "sticks" in the circle. Following the corner, McLeod broke away and passed to Crabb, who returned smartly for McLeod to draw the defence cleverly, before sending in to Callaghan, who was rather lucky to beat Vanston, the latter mis-kicking. Long, swinging passes, brought Trinity back to the visitors' goal, and after a concentrated attack Williams sent in the equaliser. The home forwards continued to press, and Elmslie saved well from Crawley, West and Williams in quick succession. As the interval approached the visitors weakened and the Dublin forwards swarmed round the Aberdeen goal, and just before the short whistle went West gave his side the lead with a low drive.

Trinity continued to press on restarting, and were awarded a short corner. Knight cleared, but Peacocke broke through and centred, for West to give to Crawley, the latter making no mistake with a well-placed shot. A period of up and down play followed, but Aberdeen failed to score. Peacocke added the fourth and then the visitors broke through, and Ramsay beat Vanston rather easily. Dublin retaliated and once more Crawley scored. The light was now beginning to fail and the rest of the game was played at midfield, there being an amount of mis-hitting. Teams:—

Dublin University—D. Vanston; R. P. McGarrigle, B. J. Daly; H. S. M. Webb, W. J. Connell, J. P. Pigot; J. R. H. Peacocke, W. D. C. Crawley, G F. West, A. T. Williams, N. A. Kinnear.

Aberdeen University—M. Elmslie; J. S. Robertson, H. A. Knight; C. McLeman, J. L. Greig, F. C. Garron; H. H. Fraser (capt.), R. F. Crabb, D. D. Callaghan, R. McLeod, W. L. Ramsay.

Umpires—Rev. J. S Crockett and Mr. J. S McMahon.

TO-DAY'S MATCHES.

The number of postponed matches has reduced this afternoon's card very considerably, but what remains should produce some interesting hockey. Aberdeen University will play the second match of their tour, meeting Three Rock Rovers at Foxrock. Two Senior League fixtures will be played, Pembroke Wanderers v. Railway Union and Monkstown v. Kingstown G.S., on the ground of the first-named in each case, and by the earlier form of the teams close games may be looked for.

TEAMS FOR TO-DAY.

Aberdeen University—M. Emslie; J. S. Robertson, H. A. Knight; C. McLernan, J. L. Grey, F. C. Garrow; A. H. H. Fraser, R. F. Crabb, D. D. Callaghan, R. McLeod, W. C. Ramsey.

Three Rock Rovers—W. G. McCormick; G. K. Pilkington, H. J. Brown; H. Turpin, C. Blair White, A. Huet; J. M. Eyre, J. Leonard, J. F. Mahony, N. Medcalf, G. V. Boyd.

Three Rock Rovers II.—H. Hall; J. H. Tuke, G. Storey; R. M. Corbet, R. S. Wix, W. V. Campbell; J. W. Crawford, P. Somerville Large, J. Cairns, A. Robinson, C. Buttanshaw.

Pembroke Wanderers—N. McNeill; E. E. Spence, E. O'Sullivan; H. Buttimere, C. J. Little (capt.), G. D. Clancy; L. Crawford, A. F. Hall, R. P. Martin, W. Buttimere, J. A. Stanistreet.

Pembroke Wanderers II.—T. R. Pike; J. K. Taylor, D. D. Moran; M. F. Hanafi, A. W. Palk, G. Cuthbert (capt.); K. Keane, B. H. Hayden, C. M. Moran, G. A. Miller, W. R. Burgess. (Team to meet at Westland Row for 1.45 p.m. train.)

Kingstown G.S.—C. W. Gibson; J. C. Rutherford, Rev. E. J. Devlin; E. W. Winder, R. E. Felton, A. C. L'Estrange; T. Staples, D. Jones, C. W. Ritchie, E Maguire, C. W. Cook. (Team to play in white shirts.)

Monkstown—A. Fenton; V. G. Williams, G. Darcus; W. F. Williams, W. P. Delamere, R. Towers; D. Kenny, H. G. C. Legge, E. Gray, F. Bolger, A. G. Coates.

Railway Union—W. Leopold; K. Browner, K. Downey; A. Black, W. Chiddick (capt.), J. Ryan, T. Browner, C. Sully, H. Sully, V. Sully, P. Gillespie.

Avoca School—H. C. Lea; J. L. B. Mills, W. Crawford; D. J. Coulson, L. S. Phillips, J. L. Morris; R. F. Browne, A. D. Sarratt, J. H. Kelly (capt.), G. H. Alleyne, H. D. Sarratt.

Monkstown—Misses Shannon; Taylour, Mrs. Hornidge; Miss Aykroyd, Miss Mainguy, Misses Costello; Richardson, Dilworth, Mrs. Read, Misses Daly, White.

Bray Rovers—J. Doyle; D. Austin, W. Lee; S. Lee, G. Harvey, A. Roberts; G. W. Foster, D. T. Cumiskey, F. W. Haughton, Captain R. D. Greer (capt.), J. M'Guinness.

TO-DAY'S FIXTURES.

CLUB MATCH.

Three Rock Rovers v. Aberdeen University. Foxrock. Umpires—Messrs. Ivan Howe and A. N. Umpire.

SENIOR LEAGUE.

Monkstown v. Kingstown G.S. Royal terrace. Umpires—Messrs. P. Robinson and G. Robinson.

Railway Union v. Pembroke Wanderers. Serpentine avenue. Messrs. A. Cork and J. S. McMahon.

MIDDLE LEAGUE.

Three Rock Rovers II. v. Avoca. Blackrock. Messrs. A. Cairns and W. McDonnell.

Bray Rovers v. Pembroke Wanderers II. Bray. Messrs. D. J. Colter and F. Scales.

INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE—A.

Railway Union III. v. Kingstown G.S. III. Park avenue, No. 1 Ground. Messrs. F. Hirst and A. Holmes.

Dalkey v. Three Rock Rovers III. Crosthwaite Park. Messrs. H. Peterson and M. Bolger.

INTERMEDIATE LEAGUE—B.

Railway Union IV. v. Civil Service. Park avenue, No. 2 Ground. Messrs. T. Pike and W. Neild.

Kingstown G.S. IV. v. Monkstown III. Tivoli terrace. Messrs. M. O'Connell and E. Humphreys.

JUNIOR LEAGUE.

Monkstown IV. v. Railway Union V. Park avenue, No. 2 Ground, 3.15 o'clock. Messrs. T. Pike and W. Neild.

Dalkey II. v. National Bank II. Kimmage. Messrs. R. Moynan and E. Miller.

Official starting time, 2.30 p.m.

LEINSTER LADIES' UNION.

SENIOR LEAGUE.

Victoria v. Muckross, L.C.C., 3 o'clock.
Monkstown v. Old College, Milltown, 2.45 o'clock.
Maids of the Mountain v. Trefoil. Donore avenue.
Newcomes v. Antiquity. Sandymount, 3 o'clock.

MIDDLE LEAGUE.

National Bank I. v. Triginta I. Dunville avenue, 3 o'clock.
Bray v. Muckross II. Bray, 3 o'clock.
Maids of the Mountain II. v. Criterion II. Oaklands Park.
Trefoil II. v. Kingstown G.S. Donore avenue.
Victoria III. v. Maids of the Mountain III. Oaklands Park, 2.30 o'clock.
Civil Service v. Pembroke Wanderers. Serpentine avenue.
Civil Service II. v. Old College III. Cabra.

JUNIOR LEAGUE.

Victoria IV. v. Bray III. Temple Hill, 3 o'clock.

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CRICKET.

NEW SOUTH WALES V. SOUTH AUSTRALIA.

In the Inter-State match, which began at Adelaide on Friday, between New South Wales and South Australia, the latter went in first, and scored 185. Victor Richardson was responsible for 59 of this total in a brilliant batting display, in which he hit very freely. Rundell made 37, not out. J. M. Gregory, who did not do much bowling, took one of the South Australian wickets for 25. A. A. Mailey was responsible for most of the wickets, capturing 6 for 79. New South Wales had made 38 for the loss of one wicket when stumps were drawn.

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Irish Times	Devonport.	Fitzpicton; if ab., Tim.	Mountain Blue.	Clashing Arms.	Crock Hill.*	Maxtoi; if ab., Irish Light.
Do. (Galtee More)	—	—	—	Clashing Arms.	Crock Hill.	Head Master.
S Life and Sportsman	Mill Craft.	Fitzpicton.	He Sings.	Thrown In.	Crock Hill.	Irish Light.
Man on the Spot	Devonport.	Fitzpicton.	Balfour.	Drinmond.	Crock Hill.*	Irish Light.
Westminster Gazette	Damar.	Fitzpicton; if ab., Cross Paddy.	Bridal Chamber.	Clashing Arms.	Crock Hill.	Head Master.
Daily Express	Devonport.	Tim.	He Sings; if ab., Mountain Blue.	Ben Cruchan; if ab., Thrown In.	Crock Hill, next best.	Head Master.
Daily Mirror	Edna's Choice.	Tim.	English Fare.	Thrown In.	Charles Surface.	Dash o' White.
Daily Graphic	Red City.	Cross Paddy.	Mr. Bumble.	Clashing Arms.	Kinnaird.*	Rathluck.
Star	Devonport.	Fitzpicton.	Marksman.	Ben Cruchan.	Charles Surface.*	Maxtoi.
Evening News	Devonport.	Tim.	Mountain Blue.	Clashing Arms.*	Crock Hill.*	Head Master.
Evening Standard	Devonport.	Tim.	Early Surprise.	Ben Cruchan.	Crock Hill.	Rathluck.
Times	Mill Craft.	Tim.	Marksman.	Eureka II.	Poole's selected.	Wild Times.

ASSOCIATION.

TO-DAY'S FIXTURES.

FREE STATE LEAGUE.
Bohemians v. Jacobs. Dalymount Park.
Shelbourne v. Bray Unknowns. Shelbourne Park.
St. James's Gate v. Brideville. St. James's Park.
Fordsons v. Athlone Town. At Cork.
Pioneers v. Shamrock Rovers. Drumcondra.
LEINSTER SENIOR LEAGUE—DIVISION I.
St. Pauls v. Drumcondra. Crumlin.
Shamrock Rovers B v. Chapelizod. Milltown.
Edenville v. Bohemians B. Longford Lodge.
Dundalk v. Frankfort. Dundalk.
Glasnevin v. St. James's Gate B. Ballymun.
University College v. Bendigo. Terenure.
LEINSTER SENIOR LEAGUE—DIVISION II.
Richmond United v. Bray Unknowns B. Seafield road.
Blackrock Hospital v. Talbot United. Blackrock.
Jacobs v. Portrane. At Rutland avenue.
Drumcondra v. Distillery. Richmond road.
Richmond Asylum v. Bohemians. Grangegorman.
Brideville B v. Mullingar. Richmond Park.
IRISH LEAGUE.
Barn v. Larne. Larne.
Glenavon v. Queen's Island. Pirrie Park, Belfast.
Cliftonville v. Distillery. York road, Belfast.
Glentoran v. Newry Town. Newry.
Ards v. Portadown. Portadown.
Linfield v. Celtic. Celtic Park, Belfast.

JOCKEYS' FOOTBALL MATCH.

A big crowd is expected at St. James's Park, Dolphin's Barn, to-morrow, to witness the charity match between sides representing the professional and amateur riders. The former will be captained by J. Dines and the amateurs by Dr. P. J. Osborne. Many well-known figures in Irish racing have signified their intention of being present, and it should be noted that the kick-off takes place at one p.m. sharp.

The teams have been selected as follows:—

Amateurs.—T. B. Cullinan; L. T. Byrne, B. Nugent; F. Clarke, J. H. Nuttall, T. Nugent; P. J. Beary, J. W. Widger, P. F. Cannon, P. J. Lenehan, P. J. Osborne. Reserves—C. Brabazon, Major Scott, D. McKeever, G. J. Grant.

Professionals.—James Canty; P. Nugent, J. McNeill; D. Ward, T. Burns, P. Beasley; F. Hunter, James Doyle, J. Dines, Joe Doyle, A. Barrett. Reserves—Joe Canty, E. M. Quirke, and L. Brown.

GAELIC GAMES.

DUBLIN V. LEIX.

SATURDAY LEAGUE—FINAL.

(BY PAT'O.)

A letter from P. McDonnell, the Dublin captain, clears the air for to-morrow's match at Croke Park. O'Tooles have wisely decided to field a strong team. They meet a team of powerful physique in Leix—winners of hard matches against Carlow and Kilkenny. Under the guidance of Mr. R. O'Keeffe, himself an All-Ireland hurler, the Midland County has established itself in both codes. The Leix men play a game fundamentally different from Dublin. Relying on accurate fielding and strong punting, they push home their attacks from midfield, and have pursued these methods recently with considerable success.

Dublin's success has been the result of "brainier" football. Served by the best Gaelic football goalkeeper in Ireland—John McDonnell of O'Tooles—Dublin backs usually keep clear of their goal area, and, adopting winging tactics, break up any serious raids on their area. Carey, Norris and the O'Reilly pair feed their front men with confidence. Defence turns into attack in quick movement, and Dublin's attack is strong, accurate and ready.

During the 1925 season, P. McDonnell has been the bulwark and pivot of such attacks. His wonderful reach and strength, his unselfishness in feeding his wings, his faculty for deciding readily whether he can score on his own or not, have made him the most formidable man in his position playing the game to-day. He can kick points from fifty yards. He can lob in balls when his forwards are waiting, and he uses his head when, having secured possession, he searches for openings and positions. O'Brien's loss is serious, but young talent is available. I hoped O'Tooles would extend their selection. University College holds a few good attackers worthy of trial.

Dublin's team to-morrow includes that hard-working genuine trier, Hunt, the Kickham captain. On recent displays, Judge, of the same club, is worth a trial as left winger. Charles McDonald and Martin Shanahan, of St. Marys, cannot be denied their positions, for both are footballers of high class. The same can be said of O'Toole, of the Metropolitan division of the Civic Guards. This is a vastly improved player, who won his spurs by a series of brilliant performances last summer. He plays quarter-back or half with equal facility, and his accurate fielding and long, low punting have been features of all his recent games. Leix seem to have their work cut out, but the Midlanders have been playing so well recently that a good hour's football is assured. A special train leaves Maryborough at 10.50.

Saturday Leagues have not won the patronage deserved. The hurling final of the 1925 competition will be played to-day at 3 o'clock, when the Guards meet Kickhams at Croke Park. The Civic Guards have the longest series of successes ever associated with a Dublin fifteen. Receiving every encouragement from their officers, the Guards have got a fine side together, and discipline and training have helped them. Indeed, their successes rather challenge the organisation of other clubs less favourably situated.

Kickhams include some brilliant hurlers. Denis O'Neill is the most improved man playing the game, and Aylward can be as outstanding or otherwise as circumstances demand. Muldoon, Costigan, Higgins, Stapleton and Collier are a steady quartette. Matters have not been sunny with the "C. J.'s" recently, but good material in the lower grades point to a recovery. A sensible whole-hearted meeting of all the component parts of this fine club seems essential.

The Ulster League runs three games to-morrow.

FIXTURES FOR TO-DAY.

At Croke Park.—Saturday League Final, Croke Park, 3.0 p.m. Kickhams v. Civic Guards. Hurling. Mr. T. Hayes, referee.

TO-MORROW.

Croke Park.—Dublin v. Leix, Senior Football League, 2.30. Mr. J. Conlan (Kildare), referee.

At Carrickmines.—Down v. Monaghan, Ulster League.

At Dungannon.—Cavan v. Tyrone, Ulster League.

At Ballybofey.—Donegal v. Fermanagh. Ulster League.

At Phoenix Park—Commercials v. Gaelic League.

At Howth.—St. Lawrence's v. Civil Service.

DUBLIN CIRCUIT COURT

PAWNSHOP MANAGER'S FRAUD.

THREE MONTHS' SENTENCE.

(BEFORE JUDGE DROMGOOLE.)

Peter J. Gavin, ex-manager of Monahan's pawnshop, Lower Dominick street, Dublin, was charged with fraudulently converting to his own use two sums of £50 and one of £40, received by him for and on behalf of his employer, Mrs. Helena Monahan. He was also charged with omitting to enter the receipt of those moneys in the books of which he was in charge.

Evidence was given that the defendant on two occasions got cheques for £50 from Mrs. Burland, salerooms, Capel street, on the representation that the money was a loan required by Mrs. Monahan, and a cheque for £40 from Joseph Rafter on the same representation. The requests for the loans were made without the knowledge of Mrs. Monahan, and the money was not paid to her, nor was its receipt entered in defendant's books.

The defendant told the Court that he put the money into the till in the shop and did not use it himself. He did not know why he had asked for the loans.

He was found guilty and sentenced to three months' imprisonment.

AN ARMED ROBBERY.

J. Denis was sentenced to nine calendar months' hard labour for armed robbery.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL NIGHT SHELTER.

At the Dublin Mansion House to-morrow a public meeting will be held to appeal for support on behalf of the St. Vincent de Paul Free Night Shelter for Homeless Catholic Men, Back lane, Dublin.

The chair will be occupied by the Right Rev. Monsignor Wall, P.P., V.G., and addresses will be given by several prominent citizens.

Very few charities in Dublin have a greater claim to support than this special work of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul. In addition to providing shelter for homeless men, the home supplies free suppers and breakfasts.

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Christmas at Adelaide Hospital.—A concert in aid of the Adelaide Hospital Christmas Treat Fund is announced for Monday afternoon, in the Hospital Boardroom, Peter street. The concert promises to be of a high-class order, as nine well-known artistes are giving their services.

Performance of The "Messiah."—A praiseworthy rendering of Handels "Messiah" was given last night at the Presbyterian Church, Rathgar, with Mr. Turner Huggard at the organ. The singing of the choruses was particularly impressive. The soloists were Miss Hilda Dobbs, Miss Gwenda Cooke, Mr. Victor Cole and Mr. Lambert Patterson.

Carol Service.—To-morrow evening at 7 o'clock the choir of the Methodist Church, St. Stephen's Green, Dublin, will provide a Service in which ancient carol oratorio music and modern Xmas hymns will play a prominent part, with Mr. Deale as organist. The re-inforced choir may be depended on to give a representation worthy of past traditions. The Service will be mainly musical, and a short address will be given by the Rev. W. J. Oliver.

Irish Philatelic Society.—The above Society held its bi-monthly meeting in the Royal Horticultural Rooms, 5 Molesworth street, Dublin. Dr. Stafford Johnson, the president gave an interesting lecture on "Forgeries of all sorts," illustrating it with numerous examples from Spain, Italy, America, Japan, Liberia, etc.

Death of Mr. George McAsey.—The friends of Mr. Edward J. McAsey, late of Dawson street, Dublin, will sympathise with him in the loss of his eldest son, George (26), whose death took place quite recently at his parents' address in Montreal. Deceased had a brilliant college course at Yale University, afterwards entering Messrs. Vickers, Montreal where he was engaged in maritime engineering, until his death.

Solicitors' Benevolent Association.—At a special meeting of the directors, held at 10 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin, the following resolution, proposed by Mr. P. J. Brady and seconded by Mr. R. G. Warren, was passed: "That the directors have heard with the deepest regret of the death of Lady Roche, the wife of the esteemed Chairman of the Association, Sir George Roche, and desire to tender to him and the members of his family their sincerest sympathy in his sad bereavement."

Children's Floral Ball.—The Children's Floral Ball, organised by Mr. and Mrs. Leggett Byrne and held in Clery's Ballroom yesterday afternoon, was a very gay function, with nearly 400 people present. The judges were Mrs. M. Murphy, Mrs. George Atkinson and Mrs. Findlater, and the prize-winners were Rita Bergin, representing a rose; Joan Crofton, pansy; Marjorie Ellinger, bunch of irises; Eileen Nugent, rose; Desirée de Courcy Wheeler, marguerite; Maeve Menzies, water lily; Patricia Ringwood, a flower garden; Jill Coyle, nasturtium; Mercy Munden, rose; Carmel Early, laburnum; Hazel Lutton, rambler rose; Jeanette Waddell, a Court bouquet; Joan O'Kelly, grass; Colette Lyons, poppy; Dick Crofton, a gardener; Hazel Markey, Jackie Coogan. The proceeds of the entertainment were for the funds of the Children's Clothing Society, and each of the children attending the dance brought a gift of a parcel of clothing. Many of the most beautiful costumes were of flowers, made by the "Mac" Flower Industry. Seven of the prizes were carried off by that firm.

PASSENGERS BY B. AND I. LINE, VIA LIVERPOOL.

ARRIVALS.—R. Delaney, T. Bowden, H. S. King, Miss E. Meeke, Miss K Van Bevan, C. Bell, Miss H. Burgess, Miss L. Armstrong, Miss K. A. Walpole, etc.

DEPARTURES.—Lord Rathdonnell, Sir Simon Maddock, W. H. Riley, S. R. Woods, J. Ashley, T. McClintock, J. Hayes, R. Black, T. Field, A. E. T. Webb, B. F. Smith, R. F. Brown, W. F. Bates, H. L. King, etc.

LEINSTER.

Enniscorthy Market Prices. — At Enniscorthy market the top price for fat pigs was 80s. per cwt., live-weight, 103s. dead-weight. Turkeys were 9d. and 10d. lb., chickens 9d. lb., geese 6d. lb., and eggs 2s. 3d. dozen.

Rates on Small Houses.—Wexford County Council have adopted a resolution requesting the Government to introduce legislation to transfer the responsibility for the payment of rates on small houses in urban centres of places where Town Commissioners function to the landlords.

The Gaelic League in Kilkenny.—A branch of the Gaelic League has been formed at Graiguenamanagh, Co. Kilkenny. Rev. T. Dowling, P.P., was elected president; Messrs. Patrick and John O'Leary, vice-presidents; Mrs. M. Walsh, treasurer, and Mr. Thomas Ryan, secretary.

Poaching Prosecution.—At the Athboy Monthly District Sessions on last Thursday William Tyrrell, Woodtown-Abbott, Kildalkey, summoned M. Lynch and Patrick Fallon, both of Trim, for trespassing in pursuit of game. John Reynolds, the herd, said that on the 11th December last he found the defendants trespassing on his employer's land. They had a dog, spade, net, and ferret. In reply to the Court the defendants denied that they were poaching on the land. Mr. D. J. Reilly, solicitor, Trim (who appeared for the complainant), said that his client had instructed him not to press for the full penalty, seeing that this was the first prosecution, also the time of the year. The Justice fined each 10s. and costs.

Wexford Health Board Finances.—Wexford County Health Board have adopted an estimate of £56,618 for the year ending March, 1927. Receipts are estimated at £1,630, and the balance, £54,988, is demanded from the County Council. This is a reduction of £3,230, representing 3d. in the £, compared with last year. Mr. Thorpe said that in 1924-25 the Board had a deficit of £8,000; in the current year there was an estimated debit of £3,000, and in the coming year, 1926-27, the Board expected to clear off all liabilities. The Secretary said that the estimate for the District Councils' work taken over by the Board was £10,421. Receipts from cottage rents in the county totalled £5,554, leaving £4,867 to be demanded from the County Council.

Alleged Theft From Licensed Premises.—John Bourke, labourer, Kilmacshane, was remanded at a Special Court at Thomastown on the charge of having broken into the licensed premises of Mr. Patrick Delaney, Inistioge, and stealing a bottle of brandy, four tins of Skipper sardines, a barm brack, and seven shillings. Mr. Delaney stated that he found footmarks, made by boots with rubber patches, near a window of the taproom. Sergeant John Finn, Inistioge, stated that the boots worn by the prisoner corresponded with the footmarks found at the back of Mr. Delany's premises. Witness searched the accused man's house, and found an empty brandy bottle and a sardine tin label. When arrested and cautioned the accused man denied the robbery.

Wexford Branch of the Irish National Foresters has been notified by the Executive Council of the organisation that the next year's annual Convention will be held in Wexford.

MUNSTER.

County Cork Dump.—Timothy Buckley, Gortnalicky, charged with having in his possession on December 10th last one short Lee Enfield rifle, contrary to Section 2 of the Firearms Act, was returned for trial on bail of £20 and two sureties of £10 each, at Macroom Sessions. Anne Lynch, Eugene Lynch, Michael Lynch and Kate Lynch, Derrynaseffort, were charged with having in their possession one short Lee Enfield, 461 rounds .303 ammunition, 7 rounds .45 ammunition, 5 rounds .22 ammunition, 4 Lewis gun pans. The evidence showed that the dump was discovered 150 yards from the house. Sergeant Reynolds stated that Anne Lynch, Kate Lynch and Eugene Lynch, after being cautioned, made statements in which they denied all knowledge of the dump. Michael Lynch made no statement. Anne and Kate Lynch gave evidence denying any knowledge of the dump, and the other two accused men were returned for trial, bail being allowed.

NORTHERN IRELAND.

New Tyrone Rector.—The Rev. W. Bredin Naylor, B.A., rector of Belleek, has been appointed rector of Donacavey (Fintona), Co. Tyrone, in succession to the Rev. W. J. Smartt, B.A., rector of Finner (Bundoran). The Rev. Mr. Naylor has been rector of Belleek since 1907.

Footpad Snatches Lady's Bag.—While walking with a lady friend in Westminster street, Belfast, one of two men who were in company wrenched the bag, in which was a smaller purse containing about £16, from her hand and dashed off, being soon lost in the darkness.

Bicycle Thief Sentenced—Francis McVeigh, Ballylough, Castlewellan, against whom previous convictions were proved, was sentenced at Newcastle Petty Sessions to three months' imprisonment with hard labour for the larceny of a bicycle value £3 10s., the property of Richard Hamilton, postman, Magherasaul, Co. Down.

Old Age Pension Money Stolen.—About a mile and a half outside Newry, on the Dublin road, Michael Hanratty, a postman from the G.P.O., Newry, was held up by three men, and relieved of about £25, old age pension money. Hanratty was suddenly startled with the cry, "Hands up!" when three men leapt out from the ditch, and relieved him of his mail bag.

Boy's Fatal Fall From Breadvan.—At the inquest on Frederick M'Clarnon (12), Gainsborough Drive, Belfast, who fell off a breadvan on last Saturday and was killed, a verdict of accidental death was returned. Robert Dawson, the driver, stated that the boy had acted as his messenger on Saturdays for the past twelve months. Witness added that the only explanation he could give of the accident was that the van bumped, through the wheels going into a rut. Witness could not proceed with his work after the accident, and had since been under medical care owing to the shock it caused. Medical evidence was that death was due to rupture of the lungs, hemorrhage and shock. A verdict as stated was returned, the Coroner (Dr. James Graham) remarking that the affair was clearly unavoidable.

Mr. William Gallagher, B.A., N.T., Ballintra (Donegal), has been appointed a Peace Commissioner.

ROYAL DUBLIN SOCIETY.

The Council of the Royal Dublin Society at a meeting on Thursday—Lord Rathdonnell in the chair—passed a resolution, tendering to Lord and Lady Powerscourt sincere and heartfelt sympathy on the death of the Hon. Brian Wingfield.

On the recommendation of the Committee of Agriculture the following twenty additional members of that Committee were appointed for Horse Show purposes:—Major John Aylmer, L. F. Ball, Captain F. Brooke, Captain H. Bruen, Commander de Burgh, Baron De Robeck, Captain G. Dunne, Colonel C. M. Gibbon, Captain T. Gisborne Gordon, Major A T. McM. Kavanagh, John Kernohan, W. W. Kilroy, Right Hon. T. K. Laidlaw, Major-General R. St. C. Lecky, John McWatters, B. T. O'Reilly, Captain R. Smyth, J. E. St. George, William Toomey, John Warwick.

The steps taken by the Music Committee to provide for the exceptional patronage of the musical recitals by the members of the Society were approved and the necessary additional expenditure on the recitals was authorised.

A letter was read from Mr. Thomas H. Grene, late of Killiney, generously offering to the Society a marble copy of the statue, "The Dying Gladiator," in the Museum "Capitol," Rome. It was ordered that the offer of the statue be accepted, and that the best thanks of the Society be conveyed to the donor.

The Council also accepted with pleasure the bequest of the late Miss Eliza Toler Rowley, formerly of Malahide, of a collection of early 18th century embroidery and a pair of shoes, the property of Mrs. Weld, wife of Dr. Isaac Weld, who took such an active part in the work of the Society upwards of one hundred years ago, and whose grandfather, Rev. Nathanial Weld, was one of the earliest members, having joined the Society in 1739.

COMMITTEE OF AGRICULTURE

At a meeting of the Committee of Agriculture of the Royal Dublin Society on Thursday, Mr. Justice Wylie was re-appointed Chairman for the ensuing year. A special vote of thanks was accorded to him for the attention he had given to the affairs of the Society during the past twelve months.

The offer of the Dairy Shorthron Society of two champion prizes, for (1) the best dairy shorthorn bull, and (2) the best dairy shorthorn cow or heifer exhibited at the Spring Show, was accepted with thanks.

The Director reported an interview with officials of the Forestry Department regarding certain proposals for the establishing of a permanent forestry exhibit at Ballsbridge, to be arranged by the Department of Agriculture, and in consequence of the great importance of re-afforestation in Ireland, the Committee approved of the proposals, which, in their opinion, would be of great service in stimulating an interest in this educational work, and would enable visitors to Ballsbridge at any period of the year to inspect these demonstration plots.

A resolution was passed, expressing regret at the decision of Mr. Henry Bruen to resign his membership of the Committee.

EARLIER DESPATCH OF OVERSEAS MAILS.

The Department of Posts and Telegraphs announces that the mails for Australia, India and South Africa will be despatched from Dublin next week on Wednesday, the 23rd December, a day earlier than is usual.

THE MASTERPIECE EXPLOSION.

WOUNDED GUARDS' CLAIM.

Civic Guards Joseph Murphy and William Timmons, who, it will be recalled, were wounded on the morning of the bombing of the Masterpiece Cinema on the 20th November last, have lodged applications for compensation with the City Commissioners—Guard Murphy for £3,000 and Guard Timmins for £1,500—alleging that they were shot at and wounded in the discharge of their duty when they were engaged effecting the arrest of persons suspected of being connected with the explosion at the Masterpiece.

Other claims already lodged in respect of damage to property done on the occasion amount to £6,190.

"THE MESSIAH."

CHRISTMAS CONCERT IN BELFAST.

Handel's "The Messiah" was given as an additional Christmas concert by the Philharmonic Society before a large audience in the Ulster Hall, Belfast, last night. The performance was broadcast through the Belfast Station, an arrangement which was much appreciated by the public, particularly that section which is in local hospitals and similar institutions.

Miss Elsie Suddaby was a very effective soprano, and her singing of "There were Shepherds" and "Rejoice Greatly" were two of the principal features of the evening. The contralto was Miss Ethel Parke, and she sang with much acceptance "He Shall Feed His Flock," and was also cordially applauded for her singing of "He was Despised." Mr. John Adams (tenor) sang with much feeling, particularly in "Thy rebuke hath broken his heart" and "Behold, and See." Mr. Joseph Farrington (bass) fully maintained his high reputation, his rendering of "The People that Walked in Darkness," "Why Do the Nations," and "The Trumpet Shall Sound," with trumpet obligato by Mr. George Craig. He was very successful. The chorus work, on the whole, was good. The orchestra was well balanced. Mr. E. Godfrey Brown conducted, and Mr. G. H. MacBratney was at the organ.

LONGFORD COUNTY HOME INQUIRY.

LETTERS FOUND ON PATIENT.

At a meeting of the Longford County Board of Health it was decided to hold a private inquiry in connection with letters found on an inmate named May Gill.

Mr. Davis, a member of the Board, said that he had read one of the letters, and the Board could not hold the investigation a moment too soon.

Mr. Sean Stack, Local Government Department's Inspector, in his covering letter with three letters found on the inmate referred to, wrote that the matter was very serious and urgent.

An official report in regard to the inquiry will be issued in due course.

AUCTION SALES.

MESSRS. BATTERSBY AND CO.

In our auction columns to-day Messrs Battersby and Co. advertise some attractive lots. On the 12th January the house and premises, together with the furniture, at 4 Harcourt street; and on the 19th January the splendid private or professional residence, 12 Fitzwilliam square.

"EDUCATION FOR EXPORT."

HEADMASTER'S VIEW OF MINISTRY'S POLICY.

IRISH TEACHING IN DUBLIN COLLEGES.

The annual distribution of prizes was made in two well-known colleges in Dublin yesterday—at St. Andrew's by Sir James Percy, and at Wesley College by General Sir William Hickie.

At both colleges the opinion was expressed that the policy of the Ministry of Education regarding the teaching of Irish was in advance of public opinion.

ST. ANDREW'S.

SCHOLARS WHO GO ABROAD.

The Chairman of Trustees, Mr. John P. McKnight, presided at the meeting in St. Andrew's College.

The report, which was read by Mr. A. S. M. Imrie, M.A., B.Sc., stated that from the point of view of academic distinctions St. Andrew's College occupied a worthy place among Irish secondary schools. This year, for the first time, Leaving Certificate and Intermediate Certificate examinations were held by the Department of Education, and relative to the number who entered St. Andrew's had a *per-centage* of passes 14 *per cent.* above the average for the whole country. Regarding past pupils who entered Dublin University they had, as usual, several important awards to record.

If they asked him where their old boys went after leaving the University he feared that he must say that although a few settled down in Ireland the majority went abroad. They were everywhere, from China to Peru, and although Dr. McNeill deprecated "education for export," what were they to do? The Irish Free State was neither large enough nor, at present, rich enough to maintain all its sons in comfort, and, therefore, for its own sake, as well as for theirs, it should so train its young men that they might be in a position to compete with those of other countries on equal terms. He trusted that the efforts of the Government, perfectly laudable within certain limits, to encourage the study of Irish would not lead to the virtual disappearance of other modern languages from the curricula of the secondary schools.

SUCCESSES IN SPORT.

The College was greatly indebted to Sir James Percy for his "Sportsmanship-and-Comradeship" Cup and Gold Medal; to their old boy, Captain G. O. F. Alley, M.C., M.D.; Mr. Thomas Buchanan, father of last year's Football Captain, Mr. Ernest Garland, another old boy, and the Wanderers' Football Club, for Presentation Football Caps; and to Mr. David McCaughey and many other friends of the College for prizes and subscriptions in connection with their Swimming Gala and Athletic Sports. Amongst the many successful past pupils of the College to whom he referred was Terence Millin, who had recently graduated B.A. of Trinity College, with first-class honours; was captain of the Dublin University Rugby fifteen, and an International. In this connection he mentioned that during the last twenty years St Andrew's had supplied twelve International Rugby players, and, keeping in view the fact that training the boys to play the game of Rugby football, they were training them to play the game of life. This was, in his opinion, a legitimate source of pride to the College.

IMPORTANT SUBJECTS.

Before closing his report, he would like, as Vice-President of the Schoolmasters' Association, to say a few words about three subjects of public importance—the need for increased capitation grants in secondary schools, the urgent necessit for pensions to secondary teachers, and the advantage to managers, teachers and the Ministry of having an advisory council of education. The managers of secondary schools were grateful to the Government for what had already been done to meet their financial necessities, but the fact was that certain schools which, on account of specially good work used to earn high Intermediate and Science Grants, would not be so well off under the new scale, and they wished the Government to apply a remedy. They suggested that the capitation grants for recognised pupils should be slightly increased, and that, in the national interest, pupils and teachers in their preparatory departments should not, as heretofore, be entirely ignored.

In the interests of education, secondary teachers should be placed on the retired list at 65 years of age, and some even earlier; but, until pensions were provided, compulsory retirement—keeping in mind the fact the salaries in the past were entirely inadequate—would be harsh, and, indeed, cruel. Until pensions were provided for secondary teachers, the Irish Free State would be out of step with neighbouring countries, and the teachers, to the detriment of education, would labour under a sense of grievance. They recommended as a temporary expedient, that teachers, on retirement with Government sanction, should be granted pensions equal in value to their salary-increments at the date of their retirement, a fair equivalent being, of course, paid to community schools, as in the case of salary-increments.

His last point was that there should be an advisory council of secondary education, including, amongst others, representative managers and teachers, at which, without any suspicion of disrespect towards the Ministry, all matters connected with secondary education might be discussed, and from which advisory resolutions might from time to time be forwarded to the Minister for Education. The present differences of opinion on the question of compulsory Irish show that an advisory council of representative men is urgently required, and ought to be provided.

ARCHBISHOP'S HOPE.

The Archbishop, having presented the academic prizes, expressed his pleasure at being present. He must, he said, congratulate those responsible for the extremely good report. He hoped that in all schools a very substantial, solid and regular amount of time would be given to the work of religious instruction. They wanted to send boys out into the world with a sense of the realities and true values of life, and they could not do that without religious education. They must endeavour also to inculcate worthy ambitions, not ambitions that were mean and selfish. They found many men in settled positions who declined to accept higher posts, because they did not desire to have consequent responsibility laid upon them, but a man who had the interests of others at heart would accept the change, because it was for the good of the community.

PRESENTATION OF PRIZES.

Sir James C. Percy, who presented the sports prizes and "caps," said that a "good sportsman" was one who knew how to lose as well as win. It was only by co-operation and companionship that they could ever hope to achieve anything in this world. The friends they made on the football field were in after-life found to be the best friends they had ever met.

COMMERCIAL STUDIES.

The Chairman said that the Free State was passing through a very critical time in its history. The trustees and staff of St. Andrew's College could not expect to be exempted from the cares and worries incident to such times, but, as they had seen, they were doing their utmost to hold high the banner of high-class education in this corner of the world. They had, during the past year, taken into consideration many points of re-organisation, and one thing that they had done in order to keep abreast of the times was to give more consideration than formerly to commercial studies. They felt that there was a future before the Free State in industry, and they wished that their boys might take a prominent part in their country's revival. Therefore, they were doing all that they could to fit them for a commercial career.

The last time that he had the pleasure of addressing them he told them of the position of affairs regarding the Irish language. They had never altered their position. They placed facilities before their young men for acquiring knowledge in that language, especially for those who might think that their careers lay where a knowledge of Irish would be beneficial; and, furthermore, they placed every facility and every encouragement before those who wished to study the ancient language for its own sake. But they coerced nobody. (Applause.) They sincerely hoped that in the long run their educational authorities would come to the same decision. It would be for the good of their country and place the language in a better position than it ever occupied.

In conclusion, Mr. McKnight said that they wanted to place their boys in a position to take their part honourably in the big life that lay before them; and they held that character could be built up better by the companionship and the friendly rivalry of the class room and the playing-field, than by burning the midnight oil.

On the motion of Mr. George Fletcher, a cordial vote of thanks was accorded to the Archbishop of Dublin for his kindness in presenting the prizes.

WESLEY COLLEGE.

THE DISTINCTIONS.

General Sir William Hickie, K.C.B., presided in Wesley College.

The Principal, the Rev. Dr. Irwin, in the course of his annual report, said that the year had witnessed a continuance of that unbroken success and prosperity which had attended the school for so many years. It was evidenced by the numbers on the rolls, which had reached the highest figure yet attained; by the distinctions won by present and past pupils and—by what they valued most—the highest moral tone throughout the boarding departments and the school. Three years ago ten or twelve new class rooms were opened, all of which were now fully occupied. There had been a waiting list for boarders, and every place in the college was filled early in September. The first part of the new wing was finished during the year; it made a handsome and commodious addition to the school premises, and its completion enabled them to open a school of domestic science in September.

There could be no question as to the high standard of education afforded by the *curricula* of the present intermediate courses. It was very manifest when pupils entered the university. The number and variety of the distinctions won by old pupils of this school in Trinity College during the past year bore ample testimony to the fact. Old pupils of Wesley College had won in Trinity College during the term first place in mathematics, experimental science, moral philosophy, modern history, final engineering, and final medical (gold medal in R.C.S.I.). He submitted that there was no better evidence of good mental training during school years than that afforded by distinctions of this nature.

COMPULSORY IRISH.

The best system of education was that which made for character as well as culture and which prepared a boy for good citizenship and to give of his best in the service of humanity, whether his field of labour be at home or abroad. That was the higher patriotism. There was not a Dominion under the sun where old pupils of the school were not serving, and at home there was barely a profession, a business, or a calling unadorned by distinguished men whose early training was received in this school.

There was one matter on which he thought the policy of the Ministry of Education was considerably in advance of public opinion. He referred to "compulsory Irish." Their attitude to this subject remained unchanged. They made ample provision for all pupils who wished to study the language—and they had teachers of the highest qualification. But to give it the place and attention in the *curriculum* that the Ministry demanded could only be accomplished by sacrificing the study of modern languages, and neither for the merits of its literature, nor for its value as a commercial asset should this be done.

FINANCE ARRANGEMENTS.

In matters of finance—new arrangements had been introduced by the Ministry of Education. The old system by which grants to intermediate schools were made to depend upon the results of an examination had disappeared. In future it was intended to make a capitation grant to schools dependent upon attendances and the reports of inspectors.

This would place considerable power and responsibility in the hands of the inspectors, but with competent and sympathetic men—as these are—they anticipated no difficulty—and the new method was an improvement on the old. A scale of salaries had been instituted, and in addition to these, which were paid by the school authority, the Ministry paid annual increments to registered teachers. These changes brought secondary schools and teachers under somewhat similar conditions to those prevailing in Great Britain and Northern Ireland, though the grants and salaries were considerably lower in the Free State, and it was disappointing that no pension scheme had been established. As the Free State was the only Government which had no pension scale for secondary teachers, it was hoped that the new Minister of Education would immediately address himself to this most urgent question.

Reports on the athletic work of the college were also read.

CHANGED TIMES.

Sir William Hickie said that he must congratulate the Governors and the Principal of "this wonderful institution," not only on the work that had been done, but also on the fine turn-out he had seen that evening. He especially congratulated the boys and girls who had won prizes for good conduct. In Ireland in old days they had a high reputation for good manners, but he was sorry to say, in looking round with the eyes of an older person, that he did not see the manners now that he saw in his youth. In the tram-cars, cinemas, in the streets and shops, and even in private houses, he saw many people, both old and young, who seemed to live up to the motto, "Myself alone." It was to the rising generation that they, older Irish people, looked for the winning back of the old reputation for politeness, courtesy and kindness.

He appealed to the young people to interest themselves in hobbies which, he said, would successfully banish *ennui*. A person who did not feel bored would not bore anybody. They took a lot of trouble about work, but they did not do so in regard to play. The cultivation of hobbies would never allow the time to hang heavy on their hands.

A hearty vote of thanks to the Chairman terminated the proceedings.

BELFAST CHRISTMAS MARKETS.

TURKEYS AND GEESE IN DEMAND

There was a good demand for turkeys, geese, and other fowl at the Belfast Christmas market yesterday, and as the supply was poor, there was an upward tendency in prices. Many prospective purchasers held back in the hope of a reduction in prices.

Turkeys sold at from 1s. 2d. to 1s. 6d. per lb., and geese brought 9d. to 11d. These figures are of dead weight, and live weight prices may be reckoned 2d. per lb. lower.

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IRISH RAILWAY TRIBUNAL.

The Irish Railway Tribunal sat yesterday in the City Hall, Dublin, and resumed the consideration of the proposals for the classification of merchandise submitted by the Great Southern Railways Company.

The discussion was of a technical nature and occupied the entire day.

Snow fell in the East of Scotland yesterday. In some places it was six inches deep.

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A GRAND CINDERELLA
Will be held on
TO-NIGHT (SATURDAY), 19th INST.,
under the direction of MADAM OLGA WARNER
and MR. MARC ANDERTON (Salon de Danse).
Dancing 7.30 to 11.
Tickets 5/-, Double 7/6. Evening Dress.
ADELAIDE MELODY BAND.

NEW YEAR.
GRAND CARNIVAL WEEK
(December 28th to January 2nd).

The Management has pleasure in announcing the Special Engagement of MAX BACON'S

MAYFAIR-MANHATTAN BAND

(10 performers), direct from the fashionable Mayfair Club, West End, London—a favourite dance resort of Royalty this season. This famous Band has also achieved phenomenal success at the Criterion and Queen's Hall Roof Gardens, London, and has performed in the principal Ballrooms of England and Scotland.

PROGRAMME OF DANCES.

MONDAY, DECEMBER 28th.
ORGANISED BY THE C.U.S. UNION.
MAYFAIR-MANHATTAN BAND. Tickets
Dancing 8 to 12. Evening Dress. 5/-

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 29th.
MAYFAIR-MANHATTAN BAND.
Dancing 7.30 to 11. Evening Dress. 5/-

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 30th.
MAYFAIR-MANHATTAN BAND.
Dancing 7.30 to 11. Evening Dress optional. 3/6

THURSDAY (NEW YEAR'S EVE).
Dancing 9 to 3. Evening Dress. Grand Carnival Dance, including special Full-course Running Buffet. Novelties direct from Paris. Madam Olga Warner and Mr. Marc Anderton will ring in the New Year with a charming Spectacle des Saisons. 12/6
Two MAYFAIR-MANHATTAN BAND,
Bands. ADELAIDE MELODY BAND.

FRIDAY (NEW YEAR'S DAY).
MAYFAIR-MANHATTAN BAND.
Dancing 7.30 to 11. Evening Dress optional. 3/6

SATURDAY, JANUARY 2nd.
Two MAYFAIR-MANHATTAN BAND.
Bands. ADELAIDE MELODY BAND.
Dancing 7.30 to 11. Evening Dress. 5/-

On Monday the Dance will be under the direction of C.U.S. Union. On Tuesday, Thursday, and Saturday, under the direction of Madam Olga Warner and Mr. Marc Anderton; and on Wednesday and Friday, under the direction of Mr. J. P. Lane.

MONKSTOWN FOOTBALL CLUB
ANNUAL
CINDERELLA DANCE,
ON TUESDAY NEXT, 22nd INST.,
in the
METROPOLE BALLROOM.
7.30 to 11 p.m.
Open to the General Public. EVENING DRESS.
ADELAIDE ORPHEUS BAND.
NEW CARNIVAL NOVELTIES.
ADMISSION (Payable at Door) 5/-

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TO-MORROW (SUNDAY), 3 and 8.30,
For Five Nights,
"TURMOIL."
Booth Tarkington's Famous Novel,
With Eleanor Boardman and George Hackathorne.
ST. STEPHEN'S NIGHT:
TOM MIX in "DICK TURPIN."

CLARE HUNT BALL,
At MENTAL HOSPITAL
On 13th JANUARY, 1926.
MANAHAN'S NO. 1 BAND,
Personally conducted.

Ladies, 15/-; Gentlemen, 20/-.
Tickets will be 5/- extra after 5th January.
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HOLIDAY CLASSES
FOR
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MISS MURIEL CATT
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MONDAY, 21st DEC., at 11.30 A.M.
Full particulars on application to
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NEW YEAR'S EVE BALL,
At CLERY'S IMPERIAL BALLROOM.
MR. J. CLARKE BARRY'S BAND.
DANCING .... 9.30 p.m.
Tickets, One Guinea, obtainable from
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'Phone—Ballsbridge 482.

ROSS'S HOTEL, LTD.,
DUN LAOGHAIRE (KINGSTOWN).
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PUBLIC AMUSEMENTS.

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NEXT WEEK:—
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DUN LAOGHAIRE. .... 3.30 to 10.15.
LAST DAY OF
"THE MIRACLE OF LOURDES."
DRAMATIC AND POWERFULLY IMPRESSIVE!
At 3.45, 6.10 & 8.35. Comedy, Eve, Felix, etc.
Next Week 'WANDERER OF THE WASTELAND'

CHRISTMAS AT THE ADELAIDE.
A GRAND CONCERT
In aid of the Christmas Treat for the Patients and the Christmas Tree, will be held in the Boardroom, Adelaide Hospital, on Monday next, at 4 p.m. The following artistes have kindly promised to give their services:—Mrs. F. Lambart Barrett (soprano), Miss F. Mills Forsyth (soprano), Mrs. A. E. Hughes (contralto), Mr. T. Gill Wallis (tenor), Mr. A. J. O'Farrell (bass), Miss Sylvia Fannin (elocutionist), Miss Hilda Wallis ('cello), Master Arthur Franks (violinist). At the Piano—Miss Dorothy Stokes.
Tickets, 2/6.

NEW YEAR'S EVE, 1925.
A
GALA DINNER-DANCE
WILL BE HELD AT
WOODBROOK.
DANCING: 8 p.m. till 5 a.m.
Tickets, which are limited, to be had on application to SECRETARY.
Telephone: Bray 8.
DANCE DINER, SOUPER ... 25/-.
THE ADELAIDE ORPHEUS BAND.

THE WEST WATERFORD HUNT BALL
Will take place at
DROMANA,
On TUESDAY, JANUARY 5th, 1926.
DANCING 10 P.M.
Mr. W. A. MANAHAN'S BAND
(personally conducted).
Catering by Messrs. MILLS, DUBLIN.
TICKETS:
Ladies, £1 5/-, Gentlemen, £1 10/-.
After January 3rd, 1926, 5/- extra will be charged.
The Tickets, which will be limited, can be had from Miss VILLIERS-STUART, Dromana, Cappoquin, Co. Waterford.
Chauffeurs will be admitted to house on production of ticket given free on application of employers to Miss Villiers-Stuart.

RICHMOND, WHITWORTH AND HARDWICKE HOSPITALS.
DANCE
IN AID OF THE LINEN GUILD OF THE ABOVE HOSPITALS,
Will be held on TUESDAY, JANUARY 5th, 1926,
At the RICHMOND HOSPITAL,
NORTH BRUNSWICK STREET, DUBLIN.
TICKETS: SINGLE 10/6
DOUBLE £1
May be obtained at the Hospital, or from any of the following: Mrs. PRINGLE, St. Philip's, Milltown; Mrs. STAFFORD JOHNSON, 15 Fitzwilliam square; Miss MABEL MOORE, 11 Ailesbury road.
MISS BILLIE WEINER'S ORCHESTRA.
DANCING, 8 to 2. SUPPER.

HOLIDAY CLASSES.
THE MISSES MALLINS
WILL HOLD A COURSE OF LESSONS IN THE LATEST BALLROOM DANCING
FOR BOYS AND GIRLS,
AT THE IMPERIAL BALLROOM (Clerys),
Commencing MONDAY, DEC. 21st, at 11 a.m.
FRENCH TANGO, WALTZ AND FOXTROT.
PRIVATE LESSONS BY APPOINTMENT.
31 PEMBROKE ROAD,
DUBLIN.

CLERYS BALLROOM.
DANCES TO-DAY, 4 to 6 p.m. and 8 to 12 p.m.
TEA DANCE, 4 to 6, 3/6.
MISS WEINER'S BAND.
CINDERELLA, 8 to 12, 5/-.
ADELAIDE ORPHEUS BAND.
Dinner and Dance, 10/-. Dance only, 5/-.
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PUBLIC NOTICES.

ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL, DUBLIN.
CAROL SERVICES.
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22nd, at 8 p.m.,
and
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24th, at 4 p.m.
Offerings for Choir and Superannuation Fund.

SHANNON ELECTRICITY ACT, 1925.
NOTICE OF DEPOSIT OF MAPS, PLANS AND BOOKS OF REFERENCE.

WHEREAS the Minister for Industry and Commerce is about to commence Civil Constructional Works, and for that purpose to enter on lands and premises, and exercise rights, and interfere with property under the above Act:

NOW, THE MINISTER FOR INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE hereby gives Notice that the Maps and Plans showing the extent of the particular Civil Constructional Works under the above Act about to be commenced, and all property corporeal and (where appropriate) incorporeal proposed to be acquired compulsorily for the purpose of such works, and also every interference (so far as same can be shown on a drawing) proposed to be made compulsorily for the said purpose with any property corporeal or incorporeal, or any road or bridge; and a Book of Reference containing the names of the owners or reputed owners, lessees or reputed lessees, and occupiers of all lands and premises proposed to be acquired or otherwise affected compulsorily for the purpose of the said works, and of all property, corporeal or incorporeal (including roads and bridges) proposed to be in any way interfered with compulsorily under the above Act, have, in pursuance of Section 10 of the said Act, been deposited at 33 Upper Merrion street, in the City of Dublin, and also at the Employment Exchange, 64 O'Connell street, in the City of Limerick.

AND such Maps, Plans, and Book of Reference can be inspected free of charge by any person at the above-mentioned places daily (Sundays and Bank Holidays excepted) between the hours of 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Dated this 17th day of December, 1925.
(Signed) GORDON CAMPBELL,
Secretary.
Department of Industry and Commerce,
Government Buildings, Dublin.
50/H 1623. W.H.Co.

THE NATIONAL BANK, LIMITED.

AN EXAMINATION FOR MALE CLERKSHIPS will be held on THURSDAY, 11th MARCH NEXT, and following days.

The particular Works in English Literature referred to in Clause 1 (d) of the Syllabus will at this Examination be:—

1. Shakespeare: "Macbeth" (School Edition).
2. Addison's Essays: Selections from "The Spectator," by T. Arnold (Clarendon Press Series).

The Geography Course will at this Examination be:—

The British Empire and the United States of America, with special reference to Trade and Commerce.

Candidates requiring further information should apply to the Manager of the nearest Branch, or to the Secretary, The National Bank, Ltd., 34 College Green, Dublin.

By Order of the Board.
W. M. ROCHE, Secretary.
Dublin, 18th December, 1925.

LINDEN CONVALESCENT HOME,
BLACKROCK, CO. DUBLIN.
The Sisters of Charity make an appeal to the Charitable Public to help them to reduce their heavy debt of £5,000.

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PUBLIC AMUSEMENTS.

LA SCALA THEATRE.
POSITIVELY LAST DAY
OF THE ALL-IRISH PROGRAMME.
The First Entertainment to be Broadcast in the Free State.
"WICKLOW GOLD."
The first Photoplay bearing the Irish Trade Mark.
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THE INDEPENDENT MALE CHOIR,
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FRANK FAY AND COMPANY,
In the IRISH PLAYLET,
"FLURRY TO THE RESCUE."
By Victor O'D. Power.
At 5 o'clock, 7.30, and 10 o'clock.
MR. WILLIAM LEMASS at 3.35, 6.5.
MISS RENEE FLYNN at 4.47, 8.22
NEXT WEEK. NEXT WEEK.
PATSY RUTH MILLER and MATT MOORE, in
"THE WISE VIRGIN."
Also CHARLIE CHAPLIN, in
"THE PAWNSHOP."

SANTA CLAUS DANCE,
In Aid of
ST. ULTAN'S INFANT HOSPITAL,
Will be held in
CLERY'S BALLROOM,
ON
MONDAY NEXT, 21st DEC.,
8 to 11 p.m.
ADELAIDE ORPHEUS BAND.
Tickets, 5/- each, may be obtained from Hon. Secretaries, Mrs. Reddin, 52 Fitzwilliam square (Tel. Dublin 3301), and Mrs. Bigger, 77 Wellington road (Tel. Ballsbridge 948).

MADAME ROCK
WILL HOLD A
CHILDREN'S GRAND CARNIVAL AND FANCY DRESS BALL,
IN ROUND ROOM, MANSION HOUSE,
4 to 8 o'clock,
On DEC. 31st (NEW YEAR'S EVE).
A beautiful display of Dancing will be given.
Tickets—Children 5/-, Spectators 2/-.

THE
WATERFORD HUNT BALL
WILL BE HELD IN THE
TOWN HALL, WATERFORD,
ON FRIDAY, JANUARY 1st, 1926.
Tickets—Gentlemen, 25/-; Ladies, 20/-. After December 24th 5/- extra will be charged.
Chauffeurs' Supper Tickets, 2/6.
Apply to Hon. Secretaries—
T. H. GALLWEY, Rockfield, Tramore.
J. L. RICHARDSON, Prospect House, Waterford.

COUNTY LIMERICK HUNT BALL
Will be held at
THE LYRIC HALL, LIMERICK,
ON
TUESDAY, 5th JANUARY, 1926.
DANCING, 10 P.M.
CLARKE-BARRY'S BAND.
TICKETS:
Gentlemen £1 5 0
Ladies £1 0 0
After Saturday, 2nd January, 5/- extra.
Apply EDWARD LEAHY, Hon. Secretary, County Club, Limerick.

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PUBLIC NOTICES.

COUNTY DUBLIN COUNTY COUNCIL.

THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT, 1925, AND THE RATING OF NEW BUILDINGS ORDER, 1925.

NOTICE is hereby given that for the purposes of the assessment and making of rates for the local financial years between the 1st day of April, 1926, and the 1st day of April, 1933, the Dublin County Council are about to make a NEW BUILDINGS LIST, being a list of buildings deemed by them to be New Buildings within the meaning of Section 69 of the Local Government Act, 1925, namely:—

(1) Buildings, the erection of which was, or shall have been, begun and completed during the period from the 1st day of April, 1920, to the 1st day of April, 1927; and

(2) Buildings, the structures of which have been substantially enlarged or improved, and the enlargement or improvement shall have been begun and completed during the period from the 1st day of April, 1920, to the 1st day of April, 1927,

the valuation of which under the Valuation Acts shall for the purposes of assessment and levying of any rate raised by the said Dublin County Council for any of the said local financial years shall be deemed to have been reduced by two-thirds.

The Act does not apply to houses provided under the Housing of the Working Classes (Ireland) Acts, 1890 to 1921; the Labourers (Ireland) Acts, 1883 to 1919; the Housing (Building Facilities) Act, 1924, or the Housing Act, 1925.

Applications on the prescribed form for the inclusion of buildings in the New Building List must be lodged with the undersigned not later than Thursday, 7th January, 1926. Forms of application can be obtained from the undersigned.

(By Order)
SEAMUS UA LAOIDHLEIS,
Secretary.
County Secretary's Office,
11 Parnell square, Dublin.

GREAT NORTHERN RAILWAY (IRELAND).
CHRISTMAS HOLIDAYS, 1925.

The usual Week-end Excursion Tickets, issued on Saturday and Sunday, 19th and 20th December, will be available for return up to and including Monday 28th December, 1925.

On WEDNESDAY, THURSDAY and FRIDAY (CHRISTMAS DAY), 23rd, 24th and 25th DECEMBER, 1925, Return Tickets at Single Fare and a Third will be issued from and to Dublin, Belfast and Derry, with all Stations distant over 10 miles (where train service permits), available for return up to and including Thursday, 31st inst.

On THURSDAY, 24th DECEMBER, a Special Train will leave Dublin for Belfast at 2.55 p.m., serving the same Stations as the ordinary 3.0 p.m. Train.

A Special Train will run from Dublin to Belfast at 4.15 p.m., by which Excursion Tickets will be issued at 30/- 1st Cl., 22/6 2nd Cl., 16/6 3rd Cl., available for return up to and including 29th December.

A Special Late Train will run from DUBLIN to BELFAST at 9.10 p.m., calling at Drogheda, Dundalk, Bessbrook, Portadown, Lurgan, and Lisburn; it will make a connection at Portadown with trains for Armagh and Dungannon.

On CHRISTMAS DAY, 25th DECEMBER, a Train will run from Dublin to Belfast at 9.15 a.m., calling at principal Stations from Portmarnock forward. This Train will have a connection to Meath Branch Stations; also Newry.

A Train will run from Dundalk to Dublin at 9.30 a.m., calling at intermediate Stations; it will connect at Drogheda with a train from and to Meath Branch Stations.

A Train will run from Belfast to Dublin at 4.30 p.m., calling at principal intermediate Stations.

A Train will run from Dublin to Dundalk at 7.25 p.m., calling at intermediate Stations as on Sundays.

The Train Service on the Howth Branch will be as under:—

Dublin to Howth—10.25 a.m., 1.30, 3.30 and 8.30 p.m.

Howth to Dublin—11.0 a.m., 2.0, 5.0 and 9.0 p.m.

There will be no Trains run on the Ardee, Dundalk and Omagh via Enniskillen, Bundoran, Carrickmacross, Cootehill, Armagh and Keady, Clones and Cavan, Belturbet, Goraghwood and Armagh, Newry (D.B.) and Warrenpoint, Scarva and Banbridge, and Cookstown Sections of the Line.

On SATURDAY, 26th DECEMBER (BOXING DAY), a Fast Special Train, with breakfast car attached, will run from Dublin to Belfast at 8.40 a.m., by which Excursion Tickets at cheap fares will be issued available for return by Special, dining car, Train, leaving Belfast at 7.0 p.m., or by ordinary trains on Sunday.

For full particulars see separate announcement.

On this date the ordinary Train Service will be considerably curtailed, and intending passengers are requested to enquire at Stations before travelling.

ALL EXCURSION TICKETS ANNOUNCED ABOVE CAN BE OBTAINED BEFOREHAND at the Booking Office, Amiens street, or at Messrs. Cook's, or Hewett's Tourist Agencies.

Intending passengers are requested to book early.

CLOSING OF GOODS STATIONS.

On 25th and 26th DECEMBER, no Goods, Mineral, Live Stock or Parcels business will be transacted at any of the Company's Stations.

For further particulars enquire at Stations.

JOHN BAGWELL, General Manager.

CHURCH OF IRELAND TRAINING COLLEGE.
In connection with
TRINITY COLLEGE, DUBLIN.
ENTRANCE EXAMINATION,
EASTER, 1926.
NOW IS THE TIME TO APPLY.
The Examination for Admission
WILL BE HELD AT EASTER, 1926.

Special attention is drawn to the increased salaries of Teachers in National Schools, and to the fact that all who enter the Training College become at once Students of Trinity College, Dublin.

Please apply for Prospectus to the Rev. THE PRINCIPAL, Kildare place, Dublin. Entrance Programme, price 6d., can be obtained from Kildare place, or from Messrs. Eason.

Application Forms, which will be issued on and after November 2nd, 1925, must be returned before January 25th, 1926.

THIS IS YOUR WEEKLY REMINDER
THAT POVERTY PREVAILS TO AN ENORMOUS EXTENT IN THE CITY OF DUBLIN.
Your Help in Lessening it is Urgently Needed by "Dublin's Oldest Charity."
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We can supply real "Havanas" from £25 per 100 to 50/-, the latter in boxes of 50 only.
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For Residents in the Free State who wish to send Cigars, Cigarettes, or Tobaccos to friends outside we have made arrangements with our agents across the water to forward on parcels. This will mean that the parcels will arrive free, no costs for duty, etc., being then charged on delivery, as there would be if despatched from the Free State.
Orders of this description should reach us not later than the morning of Saturday, 19th.
Customers can select from a large and varied selection of Barling and Dunhill Pipes, High-Class Cigar and Cigarette Tubes, also Pouches in all the latest leathers, as well as in poplin-covered oil silk, our speciality.
Purchasers will greatly oblige by letting us have their orders as soon as possible if for Christmas delivery.
JAMES J. FOX & CO.,
119 GRAFTON STREET, DUBLIN.
We shall be open late on Saturday, the 19th.

PUBLIC NOTICES.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FREE NIGHT SHELTER
(FOR HOMELESS CATHOLIC MEN),
BACK LANE.
A PUBLIC MEETING
In Aid of this Institution
Will be held in
OAK ROOM, MANSION HOUSE,
ON
TO-MORROW (SUNDAY),
At 4 p.m.
THE RIGHT REVEREND MGR. WALL, P.P., V.G.,
Has kindly promised to Preside.
The Meeting will be addressed by several prominent citizens.
N.B.—THE ADMISSIONS TO THE NIGHT SHELTER SINCE JANUARY LAST NUMBERED
35,022, AND 70,044 MEALS WERE GIVEN FREE.

FOR CHURCH NOTICES SEE PAGE 9.

WEATHER FORECAST.

General Inference.—A very extensive north-easterly wind current is likely to spread southwards from the Arctic. Cold weather, with sleet or snow, will extend from Scotland to all parts of the British Isles in the course of the next two or three days.

Ireland.—Wind indefinite, mainly light; fair to dull; a risk of rain; visibility moderate to good; moderate temperature.

S.W. Seaboard.—Wind south to south-east, moderate to fresh; dull; some rain; visibility mainly good; sea rather rough.

Irish Sea and St. George's Channel.—Wind west, probably becoming north-easterly later; some rain, probably turning to sleet later; visibility moderate to good; sea rather rough.

N.W. Seaboard.—Wind north-east, moderate to fresh; sleet or snow at times; visibility mainly good; sea moderate to rather rough.

Dixon and Hempenstall, Barometers and Forecasters, 12 Suffolk street, Dublin.—(Advt)

SUN.

To-day....Rises ..	8.37	Sets		4.7
To-morrow.. ,, ...	8.37	,, ...		4.7
Lighting-up Time		....		5.7

HIGH WATER—DUBLIN.

To-day....Morning	1.36	Afternoon	2.3
To-morrow... ,, ..	2.30	,, ...	2.57

TO-DAY'S ENGAGEMENTS.

Gaiety Theatre—"Missing Links," 2.30 p.m.; "The Throwbacks" and "The Lilac Ribbon," 7.45.
Theatre Royal—"Top Hole," 6.45 and 9 p.m.
Olympia Theatre—"At Home and Abroad," 7 and 9 p.m.
Abbey Theatre—"Paul Twyning," 2.30 and 8 p.m.
Metropole Cinema—"Don Q," 2.50, 5.40, and 8.30; Cabarets, 2.20, 5.10, and 8 p.m.
La Scala Theatre—"Wicklow Gold," 3.47, 6.17, and 9 p.m.
Grand Central Cinema—"The Man in Blue."
Pavilion Cinema, Dun Laoghaire—"The Miracle of Lourdes," 3.30 to 10.15 p.m.

The Irish Times.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 19, 1925.

NEWS SUMMARY.

IRELAND.

The "A" Specials, at their conference at Londonderry yesterday, accepted the Government's terms.—(Page 7.)

Prizes were distributed yesterday to the successful students in St. Andrew's College, Dublin, by Sir James Percy, and in Wesley College by General Sir William Hickie.—(Page 5.)

GREAT BRITAIN.

Evidence on behalf of theatrical, variety and concert interests, as well as the music-selling trade and of composers, was given at the broadcasting inquiry in London yesterday.—(Page 7.)

The fifth Marquis of Ely died last night at his residence, F[illegible]field Chase, Middlesex.—(Page 7.)

SPORTING.

At Lingfield Park yesterday Ibstock won the Southern Double Handicap Steeplechase.—(Page 4.)

At Haydock Park yesterday Low Tide won the Garswood Handicap Hurdle.—(Page 4.)

In the College Park yesterday Dublin University hockey XI. defeated Aberdeen University by 5 goals to 2.—(Page 4.)

FINANICAL.

London Stock Markets were firm, with British Funds, Rails, Rubbers and Teas all strong.—(Page 10.)

The Treasury bill rate was higher at 4⅞ per cent., and discount rates were harder. Loanable money was in more plentiful supply, and overnight advances were offered down to 3 per cent.—(Page 10.)

The principal movement in Dublin was a rise of 3½ to 43 in Great Southern Guaranteed. Guinness fell ½ to 74½.—(Page 10.)

America's Turn.

All is not well with the United States. The American people have been amassing money at such a rate during the last ten years that their wealth has become colossal. While the war was in progress the world's gold flowed in a steady stream across the Atlantic. The manufacturers of the United States were the universal purveyors; and they took good care that their prices reimbursed them for their trouble. The European belligerents were forced to borrow money in huge sums from Wall street; America financed the war, and made a very substantial profit out of her financing. Then came peace, and, with peace, the day of reckoning. Wall street called for its pound of flesh, insisting that its European debtors, struggling to recover from the devastating shocks of a world war, should pay what they owed to the uttermost farthing. In an impoverished world the United States alone stood secure on a foundation of solid gold. The Washington Treasury was full to overflowing. Tribute came pouring in from every capital in Europe, and it seemed as if nothing ever could interfere with the remarkable prosperity that filled the land. Not content with their war gains, the manufacturers of the United States secured the imposition of prohibitive tariffs against the products of their European rivals in trade, with the result that the home market was maintained as a close preserve while America's export trade increased by leaps and by bounds. While this wave of economic prosperity was sweeping over the United States Europe was rent asunder by strikes and industrial disputes of every kind. Its people almost had begun to despair of recovery, but, mindful of the sacrifices of the war, they refused to abandon hope; and to-day, although the outlook is still far from clear, there are signs at last of improvement.

The wheel is coming full circle; for, just as Europe is beginning to recover, the United States are faced with the likelihood of a first-class industrial crisis. Fifty trades, representing about 120,000 mechanics and labourers, are demanding new wage contracts at the new year, and, if their claims are granted, the employers will be forced to pay a total sum of 80,000,000 dollars for the first year of the new scale. The cost of living in the United States has fallen since 1914, whereas wages have been increased on an average by 125 *per cent.* The workers refuse to be impressed by this argument, declaring that, with a glut of gold in the Treasury, there can be no difficulty about the granting of their demands; and they declare that, if the employers refuse to meet them, they will go on strike. Speculation has been so prevalent in the United States during the last few years that, in spite of the enormous amount of gold in the country, many important concerns have been sailing dangerously close to the wind, and a big economic crisis might have very serious results. Labour in America has not yet learned its own power. In organisation and "class-consciousness" it is far behind Europe. Now, apparently, it is about to assert itself, and it is feared that a strike, once started, will be difficult to check. The workers have been told so much about the great prosperity of their country that they want to increase their share of it. Mr. Hoover stated recently that the standard of living in the United States was higher than anything that the world ever had seen, and Labour wants a more equitable distribution of the wealth which it has helped to create. Europe will watch developments with interest, not unmixed with what the Germans describe as *Schadenfreude.* The old world would be more than human if it did not regard the situation with a certain amount of cynical equanimity. Americans have held their country up as a model for so long that Europeans have grown rather weary of their perfection.

A Happy Ending.

By boldly grasping its nettle the Northern Government again has achieved a notable success. A nettle, indeed, is altogether too mild a metaphor; to the majority of statesmen the "A" Specials, armed to the teeth, might well have appeared too formidable a thistle to be tackled in accordance with the methods prescribed in the old proverb. Sir James Craig, however, knew the material with which he had to deal, and, possibly, he was aware that the movement was by no means so coherent as surface appearances would lead outsiders to believe. Derry and Belfast were, undoubtedly, dangerous storm centres, with Tyrone a good third; but in the other counties the men were evidently undecided. The drastic terms of the ultimatum convinced waverers that passive resistance would not suffice to bring Ministers to their knees; and, since there was no intention on the part of the men of pushing things further, nothing remained for the delegates at the Derry Conference save to accept the Government offer with as good grace as was possible under the circumstances. Immediately after the meeting concluded guards were withdrawn, and the officers who had been excluded from the various barracks resumed control of their commands. No official announcement has yet been issued, but it is stated that the deputation which left Derry last night for Belfast will inform the Inspector-General that the men are returning to duty immediately, and will appeal to him to urge, as an act of grace, that the terms offered should be supplemented by an additional month's pay from the date of disbandment. Whether Ministers will grant this concession remains to be seen; but, if the Cabinet does see its way to increase the money, it can fairly congratulate itself on having escaped very cheaply from an extraordinarily difficult situation.

With the "A" Force relegated to civil life, the disbandment of the "B" Specials is not likely to be long delayed. The main reason for keeping them in being disappeared [illegible] the abolition of curfew last year, and, now that the boundary problem is no more than an evil memory, the Royal Ulster Constabulary are more than adequate for the task of discharging ordinary police duties in the Six Counties. Obviously, Sir James Craig would not discard such a weapon as the Specials provided while questions involving, as he contended, the existence of his Government remained undecided. It may be taken for granted, however, that he and his Ministers are as eager as the *Saorstat* Executive [illegible]ved itself to be to get their Administration running on normal lines. Bayonets have their uses, and in certain circumstances rulers have no other alternative save to rely upon them; but, in the German saying about the Ruhr occupation, they are little good for picking coal and worse than useless for solving the economic difficulties that prevent Northern politicians from sleeping easily o' nights. With the problem of defence reduced to normal proportions and old bones of contention safely buried, energies that in the past were wasted in furious and futile wranglings may be devoted to ends profitable, not to one class or creed, but to the community as a whole.

Poaching.

Yesterday the South Tipperary County Council appealed to the Government of the Irish Free State to introduce its contemplated Game Act at the earliest possible moment. Already the Government has put what appears to be an excellent Act for the protection of inland fisheries from poachers on the Statute Book, and its fruits should be seen during the coming year. The Civic Guards have given invaluable aid in rescuing the rivers from marauders, and legislation to strengthen their hands equally for the preservation of coverts is urgently needed. During the troubled times the country was stripped of game; for before the tide of violence gamekeepers were powerless. Habits of poaching spread among the less conscientious element in the population, and to-day the country is, as sportsmen say, "poached out." Coursing clubs find it impossible to replenish their preserves at a cost of less than 30s. for a hare, and the Irish Coursing Club actually has considered the laying down in Tipperary of a national preserve. Deputations from the club and from the Irish Game Protection Association have waited upon the Government, and their appeals have led to the drafting of a Bill which yet has to see the light. We hope that the provisions of the Bill will be so stringent that poaching will become too dangerous and costly to continue. One provision, probably, will be a heavy fine or imprisonment for selling, or even possessing, game during the close season. Gun licences, probably, will be made more difficult to obtain. The cost of licences to legitimate possessors of guns ought not to be increased; for the lawless user of the gun will not be deterred by an impost which will represent no considerable part of his nefarious gains, but will fall heavily on honest folk. Sport is a national asset to Ireland; for it attracts wealthy visitors and causes a plentiful circulation of money in the countryside. Legislation discouraging sport by rendering it more expensive would militate against national interest; but laws dealing in drastic fashion with the pirate of the fields and coverts have a direct bearing on national prosperity.

Japan and Manchuria.

On Wednesday we observed that the movement of Japanese troops into Manchuria boded large and serious developments of the conflict between the Chinese factions. To-day it is reported that Mukden has been occupied by Japanese forces. It is reassuring to learn that this action had the approval of the foreign Consuls in China. Japan was requested to take action for the protection of foreign residents; for the collapse of Marshal Chang Tso-lin's power reduced Manchuria to a state of virtual anarchy. Apparently, the Government of the United States—which is jealous of Japan's ambitions in the Far East—made no objection to a decision which is likely to have far-reaching consequences. It is hardly to be expected that Japan, once given control of the Manchurian capital, will relinquish lightly a position of such strategic and economic advantage. It may be said that, ever since the Russo-Japanese War, the situation of to-day has been maturing. By the war Japan secured possession of the South Manchurian railway, and since that time her agents have permeated the economic system of Manchuria until it has become almost a Japanese province. It is believed that Chang Tso-lin's struggle against the authority of Peking was inspired by Japanese influence and financed by Japanese money, with the object of separating this important territory from Chinese sovereignty. To-day the fall of the Marshal has given Japan her opportunity to follow up economic penetration with military control; and the disintegration of the Chinese Empire has been accelerated by the loss of its great northern bastion. The entry of the Japanese troops into Mukden, necessary for the protection of the foreign residents and rendered legitimate by Japan's economic stake in Manchuria, is a token of the present hopelessness of the cause of Chinese unity and independence.

COURT AND PERSONAL.

The King and Queen will leave Buckingham Palace next Tuesday for York Cottage, Sandringham, where they will be joined by the Prince of Wales, the Duke and Duchess of York, and Prince Henry. Owing to the Court mourning for Queen Alexandra Christmas will be spent very quietly by the Royal Family, who will return to London early in the new year.

The Duchess of York gave her patronage to the St. Andrew's Eve ball, which took place at Claridge's Hotel, and resulted in a substantial sum being made in aid of the annexe of the Royal Free Hospital, a charity in which she is much interested. Another is the South London Hospital for Women, of which Her Royal Highness has just accepted the presidency.

On the proposal of Prince Arthur of Connaught, seconded by Lord Mildmay of Flete, the Duchess of Portland took the chair at the special Court of Governors of the Middlesex Hospital, the first time that a lady governor has occupied that position. Her address included an appeal for £50,000, to build and equip a Queen Alexandra Memorial Wing, for which £7,000 has already been collected.

Lady Chamberlain and her sons and daughter have arrived at Rapallo, where they will be joined to-day by Sir Austen Chamberlain, K.G., on whom the freedom of the City of London will be conferred on his return to England. The scroll will be presented in a handsome gold casket, and the hope has been expressed that Sir Austen will be accompanied by Lady Chamberlain when the ceremony in the Guild Hall takes place.

Among the passengers leaving Marseilles yesterday on the ss. Ranchi for Egypt and India were Viscount and Viscountess Devonport, Viscount and Viscountess Lee of Fareham, Lord Glenavy, Lord and Lady Donington, the Hon. Irene Hastings-Campbell, Major the Hon. Alastair and Lady Sibyl Fraser, Sir James Currie and Sir Vincent Raven. Constance Duchess of Westminster and Captain Fitzpatrick Lewis have left London for Colombo, and will be away till the end of next March. Lord and Lady Esmé Gordon Lennox left in the ss. Maloja yesterday for Egypt.

The Countess of Kenmare will leave London on Monday for Dublin. The Earl and Countess of Haddo have left London, and will spend Christmas at Haddo House, Aberdeen. Lord Glanely is expected to arrive in Dublin today. Major-General Sir George and Lady Bourke have gone to Cannes, where they will spend the winter.

Elizabeth Marchioness of Ormonde is spending the winter at Mentone, where she has taken a villa. Lady Henry Grosvenor is joining her there shortly after Christmas. Lady Beatrice Pole-Carew, who is now in London, is going abroad after the new year.

The Earl and Countess of Granard intend to spend the new year at Castle Forbes, where they will entertain a party for their first covert shoot during the first week in January. Sir John Keane and Sir Edward Bellingham left Dublin on Thursday for London.

A marriage has been arranged, and will take place early in the new year, between the Rev. Pearce C. Brown, M.A., Rector of Kilworth, Co. Cork, and Ethel Blanche, daughter of the late Joseph Mayne, Esq., of Catherine Lodge, Warrenpoint, Co. Down, and of Glassdrummond, Aughnacloy, Co. Tyrone.

Dr. J. D. Cummins has left 10 Clare street for a few weeks.

Dr. P. H. Lemass has returned to 27 Castlewood avenue, Rathmines.

Mr. Norman E. Stephens, L.D.S., has changed his address from 25 Harcourt street to 27 Fitzwilliam square.

The Ballymacad Hunt Ball will be held on Friday, January 8th, 1926, at Loughcrew. Mr. Manahan's Band, personally conducted. Catering by Mills. Tickets, one guinea till January 4th, afterwards, 30s., from Captain Naper, Loughcrew, Oldcastle.

Announcement—Switzer's, Grafton street, will remain open until 6 p.m. to-day (Saturday).

Dainty little Party Frocks for Children, in silk, covered net and beautifully embroidered, at very moderate prices; also a large variety of Boys' Party Suits in attractive designs.—Switzer's, Grafton street.

Lovely Frocks for Xmas Festivities.—W. Holmes, Dublin, Ltd., 69, 70, 71 South Great George's street.

Choice and Useful Gifts for Christmas. Hundreds to select from.—W. Holmes, Dublin, Ltd., 69, 70, 71 Sth. Gt. George's st.

Lovely Hats in Irish Poplin. Latest models. Moderate prices.—Atkinson's, College Green.

Elizabeth Arden Venetian Beauty Preparations. Sole agents, Forrest and Sons, Ltd., Grafton street.

At Madame Renée's—Just arrived, special delivery of exquisite Evening Frocks for Christmas.—51A Dawson street.

PASSENGERS ON ROYAL MAIL STEAMERS.

Arrivals:—Dr. and Mrs. Beresford Milne, W. F. Bewley, V. E. H. Bewley, T. G. Tyrrell, K.C.B.; Eric E. Stephens, R. D. Odlum, G. A. Keating, the Rev. E. and Mrs. Goff, D. A. Webb, Sir James C. Percy, Capt. and Mrs. A. W. Adams, W. B. Denis Dobbs, Miss H. M. Costello.

Departures:—J. S. Lewis, Sir Arthur Barron, Donald Talbot, Dr. F. G. Barron, Capt. J. F. Watson, Mr and Mrs. D. Barrett, the Archdeacon of Macclesfield, C. H. Nicholson, P. Flood, Lady O'Donnell, Miss Aileen O'Donnell, L. Tolkin, T. Chadwick, Miss M. Boyd, David Bell.

Other Arrivals and Departures will be found in "Dublin and the Provinces."

McBirney and Co.'s Warehouse will remain open until 6 o'clock on Saturday next, 19th inst.—Aston's quay, Dublin.

Exquisite Bouquets, Wreaths, Crosses, Floral Designs, choicest flowers, shortest notice, lowest prices.—Ramsay's, 50 Nassau street.

The Mansfield Sisters, Wicklow street, are now giving genuine bargains in their Millinery, Furs, Fur-trimmed [illegible], Day and Evening Gowns and Jumper Suits. Most acceptable and useful Christmas Gifts.

"Our Boys'"—The Noted House for Boys' and Youths' High-class Clothing and Outfitting at reasonable prices. Great selection. 24 Wicklow street.

Wrap Coats, fur-trimmed, from 6½ gns. Costumes from 3½ gns. Gowns, Millinery and Furs. Black and Black and White Goods a speciality. 'Phone 4905.—Davis and Co., 45 Grafton street.

Useful Christmas Presents. Shop early.—Millar and Beatty, Ltd., Grafton street.

Anderson, Stanford and Ridgeway, Grafton street, are Manufacturing House Furnishers.

Furs. Furs. Furs.—Annual December Sale of Fashionable Coats, Stoles, etc., at greatly reduced prices; also Skins suitable for collars and cuffs.—David Vard's, 24 Grafton street, Dublin (first floor), and 16 Duke street.

Oriental Goods. Baskets, Embroidered Rugs, Japanese Supper Cloths, Cairo Bags. Great variety.—Missions, 17 South Anne st.

Furs Seasonable Xmas Gifts. Inspection invited of our choice collection of Fur Coats and Furs. Fur Collars and Cuffs manufactured to order. Compare our prices.—Rohu and Son, Manufacturing Furriers, 2 Castle Market, off South William street, Dublin. Estab. 1893.

A Jumper Suit for Xmas—the Ideal Gift. Perfectly wonderful selection.—Marleen, 114 Stephen's Green (continuation of Grafton st.).

Eve, 17A Dawson street—Smart New Evening Gowns, suitable for Christmas Presents, at specially low prices. Inspection invited.

TO LADIES.—Ladies' Department for Medical Appliances of all kinds.—Fannin and Co., 41 Grafton st.

Xmas Gifts.—Velvet Coatees, 59/6; Jumpers and Cardigans from 15/11; Sable Fitch Necklets, 49/6. Handkerchiefs, Bags, and Scarves.—Davis and Co., 45 Grafton street.

ECONOMY IN EDUCATION.

Owing to a chill Lord Derby was unable to attend the meeting at Burnley last night addressed by the Duchess of Atholl.

The Duchess, dealing with the Board of Education's recent economy circular, said that education was the last service upon which she would want to see economy practised; but this was a time when keen educationists must be content to postpone some of their aspirations and face the realities of the financial situation. The grant suggested under the circular was to be regarded as the minimum.

LONDON LETTER.

MR. JUSTICE FEETHAM'S DEPARTURE.

59 FLEET STREET, LONDON,
FRIDAY NIGHT.

Mr. Justice Feetham, the Chairman of the Irish Boundary Commission, left Waterloo Station this morning for Southampton to embark for South Africa. He was given a genial send-off by Mr. J. R. Fisher, his fellow-member of the Commission; Mr. F. B. Bourdillon, Secretary to the Commission; Major R. A. Roger, the Chief Technical Assistant to the Commission, and other members of the staff. Mr. Justice Feetham was consistent to the end. He declined, as he always has done, to make any announcement to the Press.

The long letter from Mr. Justice Feetham to the Prime Minister, issued last night, is completely ignored by several of the London papers, while not one gives it in full. Opinion to-day regarding the letter was that it was interesting, but rather behind the fair. It would have been most valuable at the time when Mr. MacNeill withdrew from the Commission, but it certainly could not have been published then. In the Lobby to-day few members had paid any marked attention to the letter, and a hope was expressed by more than one Conservative that the Irish Free State might be left alone to make good after every opportunity has been given to it.

Mr. Lloyd George.

Another notable departure from London to-day was that of Mr. Lloyd George, who left Victoria bound for Rome and Sicily. He travelled *en prince,* and was accompanied by Dr. Macnamara, Sir William Edge, Sir Martin Conway, Mr. Harry Fildes, Mr. A. J. Sylvester, private secretary, and Dr C. Vere Nichol, medical adviser. The presence of the doctor prompted many questions about the health of the Liberal leader, but Mr. Lloyd George declared that he was feeling first-rate, and was merely going for a holiday to find the sunshine after the gloom of London. He also stated that the land campaign was to be left behind in London; for he would have nothing to do with politics until he returns.

Liberal Funds.

The poverty of the poor old shattered Liberal Party has moved some of the stalwarts, and it is understood that some handsome contributions to the party funds were promised yesterday. After attending the function at the National Liberal Club, when Lord Grey's portrait was presented to the Club, Lord Oxford and Asquith, with many other Liberals, paid a visit to the Victoria Hotel, where they joined about one hundred Liberals who had been summoned from all over the country to take part in a secret conclave. It is reported that they were all men of substance, Asquithian in their views, and, above all, likely to be generous. Addresses were delivered by Lord Oxford and Lord Grey, almost begging for financial assistance, and it is rumoured that Lord Oxford manifested a pronounced disinclination to take any further contributions from the war chest belonging to Mr. Lloyd George. The gathering appeared to be convinced by the speeches, and many of those present promised substantial sums to Lord Asquith.

"Toc H."

To-morrow evening in the Albert Hall the Prince of Wales will attend a party, with some thousands of other young men, in celebration of the birthday of "Toc H." The Prince will wear clothes such as would be worn by any ordinary middle-class young man, and during the proceedings will take a taper and light thirty-two new lamps, dedicated for new branches during the past year. The Prince's own lamp will be taken from the guild church of All Hallows, Barking by the Tower, in honour of the occasion. During the evening a specially written masque, "In the Light of the Lamp," will be staged by Mr. F. Creigh Henry, some two hundred men and women taking part in the scenes. The Grenadier Guards' band will play, and a choir of five hundred voices from the Royal Choral Society will give "Jerusalem" and the National Anthem.

French Francs.

French francs enjoyed quite a spectacular movement at the opening of business in the London Foreign Exchange Market to-day, the rate rising sharply to 130⅜ to the pound, compared with 133⅞ last night. It is difficult to say whether this rise will be maintained, for it is hardly possible, unless the general situation in France shows a permanent improvement. News comes to-day that a wonderful scheme has been evolved which will solve the monetary crisis in France; but in financial circles here the idea is not received with any great amount of appreciation. It is pointed out that France cannot be permanently restored until she takes her taxation seriously and endeavours, above all, to place her finances in a state of solvency.

A Strike Averted.

London has narrowly escaped a strike at Christmastide by the electric light workers; for a marked effort to bring about trouble has just been defeated by the determined attitude of the chief workers at the power-houses. These men refused to lend themselves to anything in the nature of a hold up at the Christmas season, with the result that the union affected withdrew its demands for the moment. It intends, however, to renew its attempt a little later on, but will change its methods and try to secure the support of the electricians in the power-houses.

London's Crime.

In view of the wave of crimes of violence now so marked in London, official confirmation probably will be forthcoming regarding reports of the augmentation of the London Police Force. An increase has been under consideration for some time, but economy has prevented it from being carried out. Burglary appears to be the principal crime, and shopkeepers and private residents in both the inner and outer suburbs have been heavy sufferers. A demand is made by motorists that more police shall be employed upon duties connected with the prevention and detection of crime, and fewer on trapping drivers who exceed the speed limit or whose number plates are a fraction of an inch below official dimensions.

West Indian Cricket.

A doubt entertained with regard to the M.C.C. team now on its way to the West Indies is whether the bowling strength is adequate. As was shown on their tour of this country two years ago, the West Indians are fine batsmen, and they played so well that unusually good gates were attracted, not only to the Test matches, but to their ordinary fixtures against the first-class counties. The British attack will be largely in the hands of Roy Kilner, of Yorkshire; Astill, of Leicestershire, and Hammond, of Gloucestershire; but whether they will be able to reproduce their home form on the matting wickets of the West Indies remains to be seen. One or two of the amateurs, including the Hon. L. H. Tennyson, may prove useful changes; but even then the bowling element may not be sufficient to prevent high scoring by the home side. On the form which they showed here two years ago the West Indies is not far behind England, Australia and South Africa, and their cricket is of a very useful, all-round description.

Sir Henry Barwell, former Premier of New South Wales, has been elected to the Australian Senate.

"A" SPECIALS ACCEPT.

RESULT OF DERRY CONFERENCE.

BARRICADES DOWN AND OFFICERS ON DUTY.

"A SETTLEMENT."

REQUEST TO BE MADE FOR ANOTHER MONTH'S PAY.

THE terms offered to the "A" Specials by the Northern Government have been accepted, according to reports from Londonderry.

A conference of "A" Specials from all disaffected platoons throughout Northern Ireland was held behind barbed wire entanglements, with double guards on duty.

The proceedings lasted nearly three hours, and, although no official statement was issued, it was understood that the men agreed to accept the Government's terms, but appointed a deputation to proceed immediately to Belfast to interview the Inspector-General with a view to enlisting his assistance to induce the Government to grant three months' pay and allowances, instead of two months.

All barricades which have been erected are to be taken down, and all guards placed on stores and equipments are being withdrawn. All men throughout the Six Counties outside Belfast are taking instructions from their officers, and matters have returned to a normal state.

DEMOBILISATION PLANS.

It was officially announced in Belfast yesterday that all the men in the headquarter platoon of the Union Barracks, Enniskillen, had now surrendered, thus leaving County Fermanagh absolutely free from disaffection.

The force throughout the county is to be demobilised as rapidly as possible, and the intention is to leave at each station only one officer, one head constable, a sergeant, and four men for handing-over purposes.

OFFICERS IN CONTROL.

The Belfast delegates to the Derry conference were not expected back until this morning.

It is stated that the men in Belfast are dissatisfied with the reported agreement, but that they will stand by their delegates in whatever action they decided to take.

From official sources it was learned that the men in the other platoons in the city had already handed over their barracks, and the officers are now in complete control.

BEHIND BARBED WIRE.

DECISION OF LONDONDERRY CONFERENCE.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
LONDONDERRY, Friday.

The chief interest in connection with the revolt of "A" Specials centred in the conference in Londonderry to-day of the delegates from all the disaffected platoons throughout the six county area.

Informal discussions took place during the morning, and it was reported—though denied by some sections—that the platoons at the headquarters at St. Columba's, Londonderry, and at the Courthouse, Londonderry, had agreed to the Northern Cabinet's terms.

Some leaders of the revolt, however, asserted that all the men had agreed to accept the decision of the six county conference.

This conference was to have commenced at 2 o'clock this afternoon, but it was not begun until about 3.30, owing to the late arrival of some delegates from out-lying centres.

At the hostel where the conference took place barbed wire entanglements were erected and double guards were on duty. Only men were admitted to the conference, but Colonel Sargent, the military adviser, who came to Londonderry last night, remained in the city during the night to await the decision of the conference. He addressed one of the platoons the previous night.

This afternoon's conference lasted about three hours. No official statement was issued, but from officers in authoritative quarters it was learned that the men had agreed to accept the Northern Cabinet's terms. They, however, decided to appoint a deputation to interview the Inspector-General and place before him their claim for an extra month's pay and allowances, with the request that he should recommend it to the Cabinet.

This would mean that the men would get three months' pay and allowances, instead of two.

This decision was communicated to Colonel Sargent and the Londonderry City Commissioner, Mr. H. Connor.

Attempts were made to get into communication with the Inspector-General in Belfast. When this was found to be impossible the deputation proceeded to Belfast by motor car.

In the meantime a state of normalty throughout the Six County area prevails.

Following instructions from this afternoon's conference all barricades which had been erected were taken down, and all the guards placed by the men on the stores were removed.

All officers resume command of their platoons from to-night, and the men throughout the Six County area outside Belfast are taking instructions from their officers.

One of the men interviewed to-night said that he considered that the fight had not been in vain. He pointed out that they were receiving two months' pay, without any deductions whatever, whereas the men believed that there would have been deductions in respect of barrack damages, etc., which would have eaten up at least one of the two months' pay which the Government were granting.

The problem which remains to be settled is whether the men will be entitled to draw unemployment benefit during the two months in respect of which they are to get pay.

If these two months are to be regarded as leave, we fear that they may not be regarded as entitled to the unemployment benefit, whereas, if they are demobilised they consider they would be unemployed immediately, and entitled to draw the unemployment benefit.

FOOT-AND-MOUTH DISEASE.

MINISTER AND SLAUGHTER POLICY.

Colonel Guinness, Minister of Agriculture, addressing the Welsh Council of Agriculture at Shrewsbury yesterday, defended the Ministry's slaughter policy for foot-and-mouth outbreaks. He quoted figures showing that there had been in one month over 3,000 fresh outbreaks in France and Denmark, and over 4,000 in Holland, whereas in this country there were only 61.

That showed that, costly as was the policy of slaughter, it had defended them from the terrible losses sustained by farmers in neighbouring countries. The policy had the support of nine-tenths of the farmers concerned. The partial stand-still order had been inconvenient, but it had cut down the outbreaks by two-thirds as compared with the previous month.

CRAZY FINANCE.

REVELATIONS AT ENNIS INQUIRY.

CALL FOR ABOLITION OF URBAN COUNCIL.

An inquiry was opened in Ennis on Thursday by Mr. J. A. Gleeson, Local Government Department Inspector, into the manner in which the Ennis Urban Council have been performing their duties, and, in the course of the evidence, extraordinary revelations were made as to the regulation of rates of wages, and the leaps and bounds by which the town rate has progressed within recent years.

Mr. M. J. Carmody, Town Clerk, was examined as to the Urban finances. He stated that he had submitted estimates to the Council showing that a town rate of 31s. 6d. would have been necessary if the town's indebtedness was to be cleared. The Council, however, struck a rate of 16s., which, with a poor rate of 9s., made the current combined rate 25s. in the £. No reasons for the non-acceptance of the estimate were given by the Council.

Last year £1,203 was expended on the tolls and customs on the collection of £1,086, but that was exceptional, as abnormal expenditure had to be met. As a general rule, however, it cost £634 to collect about £1,000. In connection with the lighting of the town the arrangement was to pay 5s. per week per lamp to the Gas Company, but there was no check on the number of lamps lighted, so far as the Council were concerned. The Clerk said he was personally aware that some lamps had been lighting in the day time and not lighted at night.

WAGES AND HOUSING.

Comparisons were instituted by the Inspector as to the rates of wages prevailing in Ennis, as compared with other towns of similar size or double the size of Ennis.

The Town Clerk admitted that the wages of unskilled labourers employed by the Ennis Council were from 50s. to 61s. 6d. per week, in contrast with 42s. in Carlow and Kilkenny, and 40s. in Nenagh and Dungarvan. In Ennis carters are paid 16s. a day, as compared with 12s. a day in Nenagh and Kilkenny. In Ennis wages were regulated by the United Labourers' Association, and when casual labour was required, even the men to be engaged, were nominated by that Association.

In respect of housing and waterworks loans, £5,998 were due to the Board of Works, whilst the total indebtedness in respect of loans, exclusive of that sum, was £21,717. There was an annual loss of £513 on the Council cottage property, but no attempt had been made by the Council to wipe this out by increasing rents, although a proposal had recently been approved for the sale of the houses to the tenants. The Council paid the town rate on those houses, did all the outside repairs, and, instead of having the tenants pay their rents direct to the Council, had appointed rent collectors, to whom poundage at the rate of 5 per cent. was allowed.

STEADY INCREASEC.

The Inspector drew attention to the fact that the town rate in Ennis had steadily increased from 7s. in 1915 to 14s. 6d. in 1924, whilst for the current year the totally inadequate rate of 16s. had been struck, instead of the 31s. 6d. for which the Clerk had estimated. He next proceeded to contrast the steady increase in wages and expenditure from statements submitted by the Clerk.

From those statements it appeared the cost of scavenging had moved up from £284 in 1915 to £904, road maintenance from £512 to £1,248; and in 1915, for all the services, a sum of £1,552 had been paid to twenty-three men, while in 1925 a staff of eighteen men cost £3,165. From a wage of 18s. in 1915 the scavengers had increased to 55s.

The Town Clerk explained that the wages had increased with the cost of living figures.

The Inspector inquired why, if wages had gone up with the cost of living figure, they had not dropped as that figure fell.

The Clerk replied that so far as he was aware the reason was the United Labourers' Association claimed that the cost of living had not gone down sufficiently to warrant a reduction.

Dealing with the quarrymen, the Inspector pointed out that their wages had gone up from 18s. to 50s. in the past ten years, and inquired if the Council had made any attempt to adjust receipts to expenditure when it was made apparent to them year after year that their liabilities exceeded their assets by about £7,000.

The Clerk replied that until the last few weeks nothing had been done in the matter. When an effort was made to reduce wages as the cost of living figure fell it was opposed by the trades union, and there was no change made.

ABOLITION ADVOCATED.

Councillor John Bredin, in his evidence, advocated the abolition of the Council. He and other members interested in putting the finances of the town on a proper basis had found themselves helpless. His view was that if urban, rural district and county councils had been abolished, and the management of local affairs entrusted to an efficient Commissioner, the ratepayers of Clare in the last four years would have benefited to the extent of at least £50,000.

Councillor E. F. Kerin followed on somewhat similar lines. In his view a grave mistake had been made when the recent Local Government Act abolishing rural district councils was passed, inasmuch as urban councils should have been included. The public took no interest in their own local affairs: they were apathetic; but he hoped that the Department would save them from the consequences of their folly. The expenditure in Ennis was twice that of progressive towns of twice the population, but despite that fact the public services were all inefficient. The water supply had to be shut off each day at 7 p.m., and was not again available for domestic, sewage, fire or other purposes until 7 o'clock next morning. It was impossible for a few progressive councillors to remedy the existing state of affairs in the face of local conditions.

The inquiry was adjourned.

GAME PRESERVATION.

REQUEST FOR NEW LEGISLATION.

At the South Tipperary County Council—Mr. P. L. Ryan (Chairman) presiding—Mr. O'Gorman, President to the Kilsheelan Coursing Club, proposed a resolution requesting the Government to introduce their new Game Act at the earliest possible date, and thereby help the efforts of the sporting organisations to preserve the almost depleted stocks of game, and to aid them in the matter of strengthening and maintaining a supply ample and sufficient for legitimate field sports, such as coursing, hunting and shooting.

The question of game preservation is of national concern, the resolution went on. Field sports, for which Ireland has been famed, and which provide the people with healthy open-air sport, will die out unless the wanton destruction of game by poachers and irresponsible persons is terminated. Our great horse-breeding industry depends on the maintenance of game stocks, such as hares and foxes, to as great an extent as our chief winter coursing. With a proper scheme of game preservation, Ireland will be in a position to offer unrivalled attractions to visitors, as no winter sports will appeal so much to sportsmen as our Irish field sports. The maintenance and improvement of all our field sports—coursing, hunting and shooting—as national assets, is a matter of urgent concern.

A copy of the resolution was ordered to be sent to the Minister for Justice and to every County Council in the Free State.

The resolution was seconded by Mr. Curran, supported by Mr. John Cronin and Mr. A. B. Brady, and passed with acclamation.

DARING BANK ROBBERS.

TOWN MARSHAL MADE PRISONER.

DOWS, IOWA, Friday.

After taking prisoner the Town Marshal and the telephone and railway operators, and severing the wires communicating with other towns, half a dozen bandits invaded the village, wrecked the safe in the bank, and escaped with cash and securities amounting to between eight and ten thousand dollars.—(Reuter.)

WIRELESS SETS.

THE QUESTION OF IMPORT DUTY.

Though wireless apparatus generally is admitted to the Free State duty free, queries received by the *Irish Times* indicate that the liability of certain wireless sets to 33⅓ per cent. *ad valorem* duty on importation to the Free State is not known to the public at large. "Wireless apparatus and gramophones and their cases (regarded as furniture)" was the expression used in a list given in the *Irish Times* on December 10th, of things on which relatives and friends who may despatch them from outside the Free State should recognise that recipients here might have to pay duty.

That does not mean all wireless apparatus. In fact, on wireless apparatus as such duty is not payable since the "key industries" duties were abolished. Formerly, wireless valves and certain other parts were dutiable in that class.

The duty that has been held to include certain wireless sets is that on "furniture made wholly or partly of wood." A set enclosed in a wooden cabinet is regarded as furniture made partly of wood, and the duty is payable on the value, not merely of the wood constituent, but of the whole article.

In that sense duty is payable on certain imported wireless apparatus.

On wireless reception apparatus now being sold retail in the Free State, duty has not been payable generally. The popular crystal sets, for example, are not made up in wooden cabinets; and, as regards the more elaborate sets, since the decision of the Revenue Commissioners covering the point became known, importers have arranged, very generally, to import the apparatus itself without, or separately, from the cabinet enclosures which incur the furniture duty.

The position is not the same with gramophones: they are liable to duty as such, irrespective of the furniture consideration.

DUBLIN CALLING.

LAST NIGHT'S PROGRAMME.

Excellent results continue to mark the experiments in broadcasting which are being carried out by the Dublin Broadcasting Stations. Last night's tests showed still further improvement, particularly in regard to the broadcasting of the band at La Scala Theatre.

The programme broadcast last night was of a varied character. In addition to the La Scala orchestra, there was heard Miss Renee Flynn (soprano) in Schubert's "Ave Maria" and "Silent Oh Moyle" (Moore).

Numerous messages were received by telephone afterwards praising the reception of these items.

Owing to the unexpected arrival of the London baritone, Mr. Gordon Cleather, the performance of the *Independent* Male Voice Choir was cancelled. Instead, Mr. Cleather sang a couple of delightful songs—"The Ould Lad" (Harty) and "Trottin' to the Fair" (Stanford). Mr. Cleather came to the studio, owing to the intervention of Mr. Gill, to offer his services free to the new broadcasting station.

Mr. Gordon Cleather sang Irish folk songs with a beautiful natural intonation and an easy style, and with just a touch of the real Irish brogue. Both his songs came through on the loud speaker with perfect clarity, and even in the *pianissimo* passages they were absolutely true. This is the first time, it may be stated, that Mr. Cleather has been broadcast. In this case several messages were telephoned in appreciation of the items.

A pleasing variety was introduced in the form of a couple of duets by two of Dublin's younger vocalists, Miss Bertha Haworth and Miss Dora Levey, who sang Newton's "Irish Slumber Song" and Purcell's "Let Us Wander." Afterwards Miss Haworth sang "When Love is Kind" (Moore) and "The Gentle Maiden" (Somerville); while Miss Levey was heard in Massenet's "Elégie" and "Tim, an Irish Terrier" (Woods). Both voices carried very well, and the blend in the duets came through with good effect, especially in the softer passages.

GENERAL APPROVAL.

Letters of appreciation and of criticism still continue to be received by the Director, Mr. Seumas Clandillon, from various parts of the Free State and from England. Several communications were received from Lancashire and Cheshire appreciative of the singing of Miss Norrie Finn in Irish folk songs on Thursday night, and also praising the tenor, Mr. P. O'Toole.

With regard to reception, one or two people wrote from Dundalk saying that they had difficulty in getting the Dublin station clearly on high-power sets. On the other hand, a letter came from an amateur of three years' experience in Dundalk stating that he had received the Dublin station perfectly on a crystal set.

Again, there have come letters from County Wexford which would seem to indicate that, owing to strong interference from the Bournemouth and Hamburg stations, reception from Dublin was not good. The location of the Wicklow Mountains may also have something to do with the imperfect reception. One correspondent stated that he manipulated his set so that the Dublin station seemed to force its way through all interference.

It would also appear from a large number of letters from users of high-power sets that when a valve is cut down reception is better. This might meet the Wexford cases.

Generally speaking, the station appears to have been pretty well received in Lancashire, Yorkshire, Cheshire, and, strange to say, in Suffolk. One gentleman wrote that he heard the Dublin station much stronger than Manchester, which was only 50 miles away from him. Reports are beginning to come in from the West of Ireland. Generally speaking, reception was good, but there was much interference from Morse, especially on the South-West coast.

To-night 2RN will broadcast Mr. Bevan's Vocal Quartet in harmonised and also solo items. In addition the Scala orchestra will be broadcast, as well as the *Independent* Male Voice Choir, which is putting on a new programme.

On Sunday the Dublin station will probably broadcast the performance of the National Army Band at La Scala.

Mr. Clandillon also promises to broadcast a programme of Christmas music on both Christmas Eve and Christmas Night.

SUGAR BEET GROWING.

SUITABILITY OF WEXFORD SOIL.

A series of lectures on the cultivation of sugar beet are being given in Co. Wexford by Mr. M. Smieirs, representing Messrs. Lippens.

Speaking at Lady's Island, South Wexford, he said that he was surprised at the suitability of the soil in the district for the growing of sugar beet. As a matter of fact, it was the best area that he had seen, and he had travelled through Kildare and Carlow. There could be no objection to the cultivation of the crop as far as soil or climate were concerned.

The experiments which had ben carried out in Co. Wexford showed that good crops could be grown. He had seen a crop where he was told the yield was 22½ tons to the acre. Even on the Continent it was seldom that such a high yield was obtained.

As to the price of seed, he could not give an exact figure. They did not yet know the cost of transit, but it would not exceed 1s. per lb. In connection with the transfer of the beet, they were prepared to do everything to help the farmers, and would pay most attention to the districts most distant from the factory. Next year the option of increasing the acreage of sugar beet would be given to the farmers who contracted this year.

He added, in reply to a query, that the factory would not take beet if the sugar content was below 12 per cent., but they might take it that that was not likely to happen.

THE SILENT PRESIDENT.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
WASHINGTON, Friday.

President Coolidge's friends are telling this story of his economy in words as well as in Government expenses. President Coolidge attended church some time ago, unaccompanied by Mrs. Coolidge. On his return to the White House Mrs. Coolidge asked him whether the sermon was good, to which he replied, "Yes."

"What was it about?"—"Sin."

"What did the preacher say about it?"—"He was against it."

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING.

BRISK BUSINESS IN DUBLIN.

GAY CROWDS IN THE STREETS.

ATTRACTIONS OF THE STORES.

Virtually every shop in Dublin will be open until six o'clock this evening. Yesterday the main shopping quarters had a lively appearance, and it was evident that the business of Christmas shopping was being pursued in earnest.

It is probable that publication of the Post Office arrangements, with the warning that parcels for cross-Channel places should be posted before three o'clock this afternoon, and inland parcels on Monday, did more than anything else to make people understand that they must get busy without delay.

"Breaking up" in the schools, and the eagerness of the youngsters to enjoy the promised visit to the toyshops and the big stores, were other incentives; and the clinching argument for making yesterday a brisk shopping day was the good weather.

CROWDED STREETS.

The central streets were crowded from midday, and parents had difficulty in marshalling their small charges through the close traffic on the side-walks. Within the principal stores, especially those which have taken care to have attractions for children, it was even more difficult for these family parties to keep touch.

While the young folk ran delightedly from one toy counter to another or pestered their parents for sixpences and shillings to spend on ingenious variations of the "lucky dip," a more anxious aspect was to be observed on the faces of the people who gazed on the attractive window displays in shops, of all kinds. There are few shops that do not manage to present some, at least, of their wares as suitable in some way for purchase at this season; and all the big stores have their windows full of things that seem to be excellent Christmas gifts.

Still, the individual problem of selection does not seem to get easier, and, with the increase of the practice of Christmas giftmaking, the necessary shopping is a bigger task now than ever.

Certainly the shops try to make the task one that can be done with pleasure, if not with ease. There is plenty of competition among them in Dublin, and the shopping parties yesterday beheld a wonderful array of "gift suggestions."

Lighting-up time occurred quite recently in the evening, and then the aspect of the shopping streets was especially "seasonable."

GRAFTON STREET.

VALUE OF CO-OPERATIVE EFFORT.

Grafton street has donned gala garb, and presents a most attractive spectacle. Festoons of green waterproof silk, set with red rosettes, span the street at intervals of ten yards, and at night these decorations are studded with different coloured lights.

At the Nassau street end a large banner bears the inscription: "Cead Mile Failte," and at the St. Stephen's Green end there is another banner with the inscription: "Welcome to Grafton street." From Suffolk street to College Green the shops are bedecked with green garlands.

The decorations are the work of "The Grafton Street Association," an organisation which was formed by the merchants at the beginning of this month to safeguard their common interests and to take steps to enhance the attractiveness of the thoroughfare during the Christmas season. For their enterprise it seems certain they will be rewarded with "record" business.

The association has other projects in view for the stimulation of trade. It has set an example in co-operative action which could be followed with advantage by traders in all parts of the country.

SUPPLY OF TURKEYS.

PRICES NOT EXPECTED TO INCREASE.

Since the beginning of the week supplies and prices of turkeys and geese have both increased.

In the Dublin market yesterday morning choice turkeys were again in keen demand, and prices were from a penny to twopence higher than those ruling earlier in the week. This made the range of values for such birds from 1s. 2d. to 1s. 4d. per lb. wholesale. Choice fat geese ranged from 10d. to 1s. 1d. per lb.; chickens from 1s. 2d. to 1s. 3d. per lb., and fat ducklings from 3s. 6d. to 4s. 6d. each.

The majority of the birds are in splendid condition, and there is not likely to be any shortage of supplies. It speaks well for the reputation of Irish birds to know that at yesterday's market there was a good sprinkling of English buyers, who purchased quite freely.

It is thought that prices will not increase, and the housewife may thus count upon securing the Christmas turkey at a reasonable figure.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS.

PLENTIFUL SUPPLIES AND GOOD DEMAND.

Despite the unusually severe weather of the past six or eight weeks, the supplies of Christmas blooms and decorative plants arriving in Dublin are plentiful, and the prices compare favourably with those prevailing last season. The demand, so far, has not been on the scale that was expected, but at yesterday's markets a distinct improvement took place and trade was fairly brisk.

Chrysanthemums, retarded somewhat by the cold spell, are coming to the market in nice varieties and good supplies. Attractive blooms may be purchased from 3s. 6d. to 5s. 6d. a dozen, while specially good specimens are priced as high as 1s. to 1s. 3d. apiece.

Most of the chrysanthemums now sent to the market are produced locally. Up to the outbreak of war supplies came principally from Covent Garden, London, but the difficulties of transit during the period of hostilities gave a great impetus to local growers, and there are now many acres of glass specially erected for the growing of chrysanthemums in the autumn and tomatoes in summer.

Decorative plants for the table are also in good variety and bloom, and there is a big selection of ericas, solaniums, tulips, hyacinths, cyclamen, as well as attractive foliage dwarf palms, firs, etc. The prices of these range from 1s. 6d. upwards. Carnations and roses are not numerous, and prices are high. Supplies of the South African Chinkruhee, which arrives here in bud, and opens in water—a very lasting bloom—is expected to reach the city during the week-end. Irish violets are scarce owing to the harsh weather. Supplies are coming from France. Yesterday's market price was 3s. to 4s. per dozen blooms.

Mistletoe is plentiful. It is heavily berried, and rarely has it arrived in such a state of perfection. Bundles of fair size can be purchased at 6d.

Holly, both plain and variegated, is also very plentiful, but the demand slow owing to the lack of berries. Christmas trees can be had from half-a-crown up.

CONSCIENCE MONEY FROM BELFAST.

The War Office acknowledges receipts of postal orders to the value of two guineas sent from Belfast as conscience money.

POPE'S AFFECTION FOR IRELAND.

CARDINAL O'DONNELL'S RETURN.

A LAST AUDIENCE.

ROME, Friday.

The Pope gave a private audience to Cardinal O'Donnell to-day. It took place in the private library of the Pontiff, who greeted him with the utmost cordiality and benevolence.

Having embraced the Cardinal, the Pope asked him to sit next to him, and said that with reluctance he gave him permission to return home to spend Christmas amongst his flock, and not remain in Rome for the ceremony of the closing of the Holy Door and the proclamation of the reign of Christ, which are to take place on December 31st.

His Holiness charged him to convey his fullest blessing to his beloved Irish people, as well as to the Irish bishops and clergy. The Pontiff then gave Archbishop O'Donnell a gold medal commemorating the jubilee, and also presented him with a valuable book on the Cardinalate.

Later the Pope, accompanied by Cardinal O'Donnell, went into the room adjoining the library, where the Cardinal's relatives and some friends from the Irish College, headed by the Rector, Monsignor Hagan, and the Vice-Rector, Monsignor Curran, were assembled.

Those present included Dr. O'Donnell (brother of the Cardinal) and his wife and daughter, Mrs. Kelly and Dr. Kelly, of Dublin; Cardinal O'Donnell's nieces, Angela, Katie, Rose and Lily O'Donnell; Rose McGlinchey and Bridget Boyle, Dr. Michael O'Donnell, Father O'Neill, Mrs. O'Neil, Derry; Mr. Brady and members of his family, from Belfast; Monsignor Joseph Dwyer, the Bishop of Wagga Wagga, Monsignor Ryan, of Cashel, and the Rev. Charles Hurson, Secretary to Cardinal O'Donnell.

The Pontiff spoke a few words to everyone, and was especially gracious to Cardinal O'Donnell's relatives. His Holiness congratulated Monsignor Hagan on his health, Monsignor Curran on his activity, and the students of the Irish College on their zeal. Afterwards he delivered a short and touching address, which was translated into English by Monsignor Curran.

The Pope said that he was greatly pleased to see them on such a momentous occasion as the creation of a new Irish Cardinal, which showed his high esteem and affection for the Island of Saints. He rejoiced to find himself present in such a typical assembly of Irish people, and wished from the bottom of his heart blessings and graces upon them which would enable them to continue the splendid traditions of the Ireland of the past.

Afterwards the Pope showed himself deeply interested in the College education of the students, and said that he was firmly confident that the Irish faith in the future, as in the past, would be a great force for the good of the world. He gave each of the students a medal commemorating the Jubilee Year, and parted in a most kindly and affectionate way from his Irish visitors.—(Reuter.)

OBITUARY.

THE MARQUIS OF ELY.

The Marquis of Ely died at his residence, Enfield Chase, Middlesex, at 9 o'clock last night. John Henry Loftus, fifth Marquis, was the son of the Rev. Lord Adam Loftus, third son of the second Marquis and Margaret, daughter of Robert Finnin, Dublin, and was born on the 6th of March, 1851. He succeeded his cousin in the title in 1899. The Marquis married, in 1895, Margaret, daughter of Frederick A. Clark, of Lynton Court, Sussex, and Gracefield Park, Buckinghamshire. He had residences at Ely Lodge, Enniskillen; Loftus Hall, Wexford; Rathfarnam Lodge, Brighton; and Long Loftus, Yorkshire. He is succeeded by his brother, Lord George Herbert Loftus.

SIR THOMAS CALLAN MACARDLE.

We regret to announce that Sir Thomas Callan Macardle, K.B.E., D.L., of Dundalk, died yesterday evening at a private nursing home in Dublin, after a short illness, at the age is 69 years. Sir Thomas Macardle was one of the most prominent figures in Irish commercial and public life. Born in 1856, he undertook, at an early age, the chief part in the well-known Dundalk brewery of Macardle, Moore and Co., of which his father, Mr. Edward Macardle, was joint owner. Under his direction the business expanded rapidly. It was converted afterwards into a limited company, under the name of Macardle, Moore and Co., Ltd.

Sir Thomas was also Chairman of the Dundalk and Newry Steampacket Co., Ltd.; of Messrs. Kinahan Bros. (Importers and Bonders), Ltd., and of the Alpha Trust, Ltd. His local interests were recognised by his position as Chairman of the Dundalk Race Company.

In the year 1917 Sir Thomas acted as High Sheriff for County Louth. Apart from direct business interests, he was very prominently associated with the public life of Ireland. A Nationalist in politics, he threw himself with his usual intense energy into the recruiting movement for the Irish regiments in the early part of the Great War. One son, Lieutenant Kenneth Macardle, was killed on active service in France, and another, Captain John Ross Macardle, won the Military Cross.

Sir Thomas was the originator of the movement for compulsory tillage, which produced marked prosperity. Only a few months ago he was actively associated with the Liquor Commission, set up by the Free State Government, before which he gave very valuable evidence on behalf of the Irish breweries. Sir Thomas Callan Macardle will be mourned by many friends, to whom he had endeared himself by his generous and energetic character.

SIR GEORGE GIBB.

Sir George Stegmann Gibb, the well-known railway authority, died at his residence, Wimbledon, on Wednesday night. He was one of the most forceful and original figures in the transport world. An Aberdonian by birth, Sir George was the son of a civil engineer. As election agent he was instrumental in the return of Mr. Fawcett, the blind member of Parliament, who became Postmaster-General and was associated with various postal reforms. For a time he practised as a solicitor at Paddington, London. In 1882 he was appointed solicitor to the North-Eastern Railway, and afterwards he became general manager and a director of the company.

MR. JOHN DUMPHREYS.

Mr. John Molesworth Thomas Dumphreys, who was Conservative member for the Bermondsey Division of Southwark for a brief period, died in London yesterday. He would have been eighty-nine years of age on Christmas Eve. Mr. Dumphreys first came into prominence in 1885, when Mr. Joseph Chamberlain declared that there was no such thing as a Conservative working man; Mr. Dumphreys took up the challenge, and entered the Liberal stronghold of Birmingham against Mr. Chamberlain, but was defeated. Twenty-four years later he won a by-election at Bermondsey as Conservative and Tariff Reform candidate, but a dissolution took place about two months afterwards, and Mr. Dumphreys sat for only ten Parliamentary days. He was defeated at the ensuing general election, in January, 1910, and made another effort at the second general election of that year, but without success.

FLEETWOOD TRAWLER LOST.

STRUCK A ROCK OFF TORY ISLAND.

The crew of twelve of the steam trawler Lusby, of Fleetwood, which was wrecked off Tory Island, on the Donegal coast, arrived in Londonderry yesterday.

Captain J. P. Thompson, when interviewed, said that the vessel struck a rock off Tory Island on Wednesday, turned turtle, and sank in twenty minutes. The crew had barely time to launch a boat and get clear before the vessel disappeared. They lost all their belongings. The crew made for Tory Island, and were hospitably received by the islanders, who kindly shared their scanty provisions. They had to remain for a night and two days on the island before the weather permitted the launching of their boat to take them to the mainland. On Thursday night they left by train for Londonderry, where a hot dinner and warm clothing awaited them at the Sailors' Rest.

They left last night for Fleetwood.

SOME WHO DISLIKE BROADCASTING.

VIEWS OF ENTERTAINING INTERESTS.

COPYRIGHT OWNERS' CASE.

LORD Crawford's Committee, at its sitting in London yesterday, was asked to regard broadcasting as injurious to theatrical, variety, concert and other entertaining interests, and to those of music-sellers and composers.

On behalf of West End theatre managers Mr. Walter Payne said that the margin between revenue and expenditure was very narrow, and the depletion of theatre audiences as the result of broadcasting might wipe out theatrical profits or even result in a loss.

In the case of variety artists the offers of the British Broadcasting Company, with its vast resources, might cause chaos in regard to market values. Not more than ten per cent. of entertainment of the kind usually given in theatres or music-halls should be broadcast.

ENTERTAINERS' CASE.

VARIETY OF GRIEVANCES.

The entertainment aspect of broadcasting was considered when Lord Crawford's Committee of Inquiry into the scope and future of the broadcasting industry met last night.

Mr. Walter Payne, President of the Society of West End Theatre Managers, Chairman of the Entertainment Production Association, and of the Entertainment Organisations' Joint Broadcasting Committee, presented a memorandum on their behalf, in which he stated that the capital invested in land, buildings, theatre furnishing and equipment, and in touring companies, represented on the Joint Committee, was estimated at upwards of ten millions sterling. He estimated that the annual expenditure upon the provision of entertainment in respect of the variety theatres in the United Kingdom amounted to £7,485,000. Similar expenditure for all dramatic theatres in London and the provinces was estimated at £4,500,000, making a total expenditure of approximately £12,000,000.

The running of entertainments was a very speculative business, the margin between revenue and expenditure was a very narrow one, and the depletion of theatre audiences to a small extent by competitive broadcasting programmes, which naturally tended to keep people at home, might either wipe out profit or produce a loss. Most popular attractions in the legitimate theatre were, generally speaking, to be found in the West End of London, and the main objection to unlimited broadcasting of such entertainments was that it constituted a very serious competitive factor, not only with other entertainments in London, particularly the outer districts, but with less popular and probably less distinguished entertainment in other parts of the country. Another objection was that the broadcasting of an entertainment was calculated to destroy its freshness, and, consequently, to depreciate its value.

VARIETY ARTISTS.

With regard to the variety section of the industry, hitherto the Broadcasting Company had shown a preference for artists whose reputation had been established in the variety houses. Artists were few in number, and were highly paid in consequence of their exceptional attraction for the public. Offers of the British Broadcasting Company, with its vast and growing resources, might easily cause chaos in relation to their market values.

The make-up, costume, personality and gestures of comedians were all lost in broadcasting, and their real value in the public estimation might consequently be diminished. For these reasons the variety artists were opposed to it, whether controlled by a monopoly company like the British Broadcasting Company, or by some other organisation, whether of the State alone or of the State working in conjunction with a private company, said Mr. Payne. We consider that not more than ten per cent. of entertainment of a kind usually given in theatres or music halls should be broadcast. If the Committee should be of opinion that ten per cent. is too small a proportion, then the entertainment industry asks to be allowed itself to provide an agreed proportion of broadcasting programmes in the future, and to receive an agreed percentage of the revenues derived from licences granted to listeners-in.

Sir Henry Hadow asked how broadcasting could be considered a serious competitor with the stage if Mr. Payne regarded it as an inferior representation of the performance.

Witness—Because it keeps people at home to listen. Listeners-in are potential "deadheads." Mr. Payne added—There is nothing that the public likes more than to get its entertainment for nothing. There is the same spirit among listeners-in.

LIKE A DOLE.

Lord Blanesburgh—Have you any real *locus standi* to object to the Postmaster-General's embodying in the functions of broad-casting that which the body of listeners-in desire, and which somebody can provide?

Mr. Payne—Once the Government start providing everything everybody asks for, regardless of other people's interests—well, it seems like an entertainment dole.

Lord Blanesburg—Is it any the worse for being a dole?

Mr. Payne—I think so, when we are already providing entertainment. On one occasion, when there was a big wireless concert, it was calculated, said witness, that the theatres and music halls in London lost altogether £5,000.

MUSIC TRADE'S VIEW.

Mr. A. V. Broadhurst, in a memorandum on behalf of the Music Publishers' Association, said that it was the firm opinion of owners of musical copyright that broadcasting had a deleterious effect upon the sale of music, and, consequently, upon the earnings of composers and authors. Broadcasting was by far the cheapest form of musical entertainment, and he submitted that the fee of 10s. per annum was unnecessarily small and was far too little when one considered what was provided. The annual fee of 10s. might conceivably be retained as a minimum, but from this there should be a graded fee, perhaps, according to the rental value of the house in which the receiving instrument was. He also suggested that hotels, restaurants and other similar places should be granted a special licence, and that this should be not less than £10 per annum.

Owners of musical copyright, he added, submitted that the present legislation did not give them full protection in connection with the broadcasting of their copyright property. There was no doubt that, without music, the broadcasting companies could not exist, as their business would be negligible. The Broadcasting Company complained that the scale of fees demanded by copyright owners was exorbitant, yet on the Broadcasting Company's own figures the copyright owners had received less than £15,000 of approximately £500,000 revenue—three per cent. of the total.

When questioned by the Committee, Mr. Broadhurst mentioned that when in Berlin quite recently he was told by someone well up in society that the only broadcast programme worth listening to was that from London.

Mr. William Boosey, Managing Director of Chappell and Co., Ltd., of New Bond street and Queen's Hall, said that broadcasting affected musical enterprises far more than it did theatrical enterprises. It affected the sale of popular sheet music, the sale of gramaphone records, and the attendance at concerts. Broadcasting paid no entertainment tax and received free advertising in the newspapers.

In answer to questions by Captain Ian Fraser, Mr. Boosey said that he found that broadcasting made the sale of any particular piece of music of briefer duration in almost the same way that the barrel organs in the old days, when they got hold of a song, used to kill the sale.

The Chairman asked if the witness considered that broadcasting was a serious rival to the playing of music in the home and possibly discouraging to pianoforte students.

Mr. Boosey—Undoubtedly.

The Committee adjourned. The next meeting will probably be held in the middle of January.

LATE NEWS.

SOUTH AFRICAN NATIVES.

GENERAL HERTZOG'S POLICY.

The Times, in a leading article upon the native policy of the South African Government, remarks that General Hertzog has succeeded for the first time in converting the principle vaguely known as "segregation"—the principle, that is, of separate areas for European and for African settlement—into certain concrete political proposals. The policy, adds *The Times*, represents at first sight certain obvious attractions. It is a definite step forward, for it establishes a basis for the discussion of a perennial controversy. It consolidates the anomalous position of the native franchise in different parts of the Union. It provides for the expression of native aspirations by orderly methods, both among themselves and *vis-a-vis*, the Europeans. It displays a liberal spirit towards that unfortunate class on the border-line, whose attempts to rise in the social scale have hitherto been successful only by accident and in individual cases. Most important of all, General Hertzog has recognised very clearly that the solution of the native problem "cannot be a party solution, but must be the work of the people, the result of consultation of all parties."

To make that statement at the outset, to proceed from a general programme to particular propositions, and to invite public discussion at every stage is the method of a statesman in dealing with so gigantic a problem. The new native policy is not likely in the circumstances to suffer from lack of consideration. Unfortunately for its prospects, every present indication goes to suggest that General Hertzog has been far more successful in appealing for the serious attention of the public at large than in converting his own Cabinet beforehand. The Cape Province, with its distinct and traditional native policy, will almost certainly resent the projected change, and the native territories there, though they are the pattern of the Hertzog scheme, are already showing signs of uneasiness. The danger of the present proposals is that they may end—if they ever reach that stage at all—in the setting apart of native territories that are altogether inadequate to their professed intention. In that case, the last state of the native would definitely be worse than the first.

WORLD COURT.

REPUBLICANS OPPOSE U.S. PARTICIPATION.

FROM "THE TIMES" CORRESPONDENT.
WASHINGTON, Friday.

Opposition to the entry of the United States in a World Court took form to-day with the speech—unquestionably the first of many—of Senator Borah, the general effect of which was an insistence that adherence to the Court should be accompanied by the reservation that no force and no economic sanctions should be used to support its decisions; and, further, that nothing in the statute should require the United States to entangle itself in the policies of European States, or to depart from its traditional policy in regard to the Eastern hemisphere.

This is no more than an introductory statement in general terms of the case, which, as the debate proceeds, will be developed by Senator Borah and others in detail. There had been a set speech by Senator Lenroot before Senator Borah rose. Upon Senator Lenroot devolves the duty of managing the debate on the Republican side in a sense favourable to the Court, and much of what he said was directed against propaganda seeking to show that the Court and the League of Nations were but two sides of the same coin.

ECONOMIC CRISIS IN RUSSIA.

The *Daily Telegraph*, referring to the Russian position, says:—A grave economic crisis is developing in Soviet Russia, in spite of the vastness of that country's natural wealth and resources. The Soviet has no funds, and it has destroyed its own credit. All the Communist schemes of reorganising industry have failed, and now, in face of the necessity of securing funds for developing the mines, factories and workshops, the Bolshevik dictators are reminded continually by their own advisers that if they are to carry on they must go to the investors abroad for fresh capital. It is the most hopeful feature of the position in which the Russian oligarchy finds itself, that it is caught thoroughly in a vicious circle from which it cannot escape except by a return to honest dealing. For the sake of the Russian people, with whom the world has no quarrel, it may be hoped that this expectation will be realised before it is too late.

WHY LABOUR LEADERS WERE RELEASED.

AUSTRALIAN HIGH COURT'S FINDINGS.

SYDNEY, Friday.

The High Court has announced its reason for ordering the release of Messrs. Walsh and Johannsen, who had been ordered to be deported. The Chief Justice said that the Act, of which the real objects were to authorise a Minister to deport any person, was not a valid exercise of the power conferred by Section 51. It was not a valid exercise of Parliament's power to make laws, respecting public services, conferred by Section 52 of the Constitution, and it was not within Parliament's power to confer on a Minister the power to determine whether any matter was within the ambit of any subject or matter, in respect of which Parliament was empowered to make laws.

The Chief Justice was further of opinion that Section 8 was a valid exercise of the power to make laws respecting immigration, but was not a valid exercise of any other power to make laws conferred on Parliament by the Constitution.

As the applicants were persons, to whom the operation of the section construed as the valid exercise of immigration power did not extend, it followed that no lawful cause had been shown for the detention of either of these men.

Mr. Justice Isaacs held that the power in Section 51 of the Immigration Act did not extend to any person whose immigration to Australia had occurred before 1901, but that it did extend to every person entering after that year. Deportation was within the competency of Parliament. It was necessary, however, before any person affected could be lawfully required to show cause or to suffer deportation, that he should be informed reasonably and definitely of the particular acts for which the Minister proposed to deport him. This had not been done. By reason of the non-application of the statute to him Walsh was entitled to his liberty. Owing to a failure to notify Johannsen of the acts complained of, he was also entitled to his liberty.

"A FUNDAMENTAL MISTAKE."

Mr. Justice Higgins held that Section 8 was not in any sense an Act respecting immigration, but an Act respecting deportation of persons resident in Australia. To make a law for the deportation of immigrants, he contended, was not to make a law respecting immigration. It was a fundamental mistake to treat the power to make laws regarding immigration as if it were a power to make laws regarding immigrants. Even assuming this was a law respecting immigration, the section was invalid in so far as it applied to Walsh, who had come as an immigrant to Australia in 1893. The Federal Parliament was powerless to legislate for Australia prior to the enactment of the Federal Constitution.

Mr. Justice Rich was to a large extent in agreement with the view of Justice Isaacs.

Mr. Justice Starke held that Section 8 was valid, because Parliament prescribed no controlling rule in regard to any subjects of legislation within its powers.—(Reuter.)

FOUR AMERICAN BANKS CLOSE DOWN.

DENVER, Friday.

Four comparatively small banks and one trust company have suspended business during the past two days. This is attributed to "frozen" paper representing live stock loans. One man was president of two of the embarrassed banks, and his wife is president of another.—(Reuter.)

MOVE BY FRENCH INDUSTRIALISTS.

GUARANTEE FOR A BIG LOAN OFFERED.

FRANC IMPROVES.

SOME OBJECTIONS TO A BOLD PLAN.

A STEP which may have highly interesting consequences has been taken by the textile manufacturers of Northern France. They have offered to pledge their industry as security for a loan of ten milliard francs—about £76,923,000—in order to enable the Government to stabilise the franc. Only the rough outline of the proposal is known so far, but it suggests the same sort of arrangement as was made by the German landowners with the Reichsbank to provide a foundation for the issue of the rentenmark.

The offer (says *The Times* Correspondent) was made to the President of the Republic and M. Briand by M. Julien le Blan, President of the Lille Cotton Syndicate, M. Eugene Mathon, of the Roubaix Tourcoing Textile Association, and M. Donaie Agache, of the firms of Agache and Kuhlmann. The group includes the whole of the Northern textile industry, with which are associated the Chambers of Commerce of all the chief industrial towns of the Nord and the Pas de Calais.

GOVERNMENT'S VIEWS.

M. Briand referred the delegates to M. Doumer, the Minister of Finance, who had an interview with them.

The Government is inclined to give the proposal serious attention, but there is little likelihood that it would come to terms with an isolated group of manufacturers, however important. Such an agreement would evidently be in the nature of a bargain from which both sides would derive profit, and the Government could not afford to make concessions or place itself under an obligation to any except a thoroughly representative national organisation. It is possible that M. Doumer may have said something to this effect in his interview with the delegates from Lille and Roubaix. In any case they have been negotiating with the big organisations of French industry, which have their seat in Paris.

SOME OBJECTIONS.

It is understood that strong objections have been raised to the scheme by the representatives of certain industries. This is not unnatural. The textile industries themselves have very good reasons for wishing the franc to be stabilised. They import all their raw materials from abroad and have to pay for them in sterling or in dollars.

There is another consideration which has made itself felt since the Belgian franc detached itself from the French franc. The textile mills on the northern border employ a large number of Belgians, who are now beginning to demand wages equivalent to those paid in the Belgian industry, and this demand will be emphasised the lower the French franc falls. These considerations do not carry nearly so much weight with industries such as the iron and steel, which get most of their raw materials in France, and depend on cheap Polish and Italian labour.

FRANC IMPROVES.

ATTRIBUTED TO GUARANTEE PROPOSAL.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.
PARIS, Friday.

The remarkable recovery of the franc to-day—it improved to 127⅛ from 133½ during the day—is attributed to the favourable impression created in financial circles by the proposal of leading manufacturers in Northern France to finance a loan on the guarantee of the assets of French industry for the purpose of stabilising the franc.

Although the scheme is still in an embryonic stage, it is hailed as the first tangible sign that the French business world has at long last awakened to the necessity of working out its own salvation instead of waiting for some Government or other, in the midst of political disputes and intrigues, to help along a solution.

The idea is that it is to be a purely voluntary effort on the part of French industry, which would reap the benefit by the expected return to more settled business conditions. The northern promoters of the scheme, who represent chiefly the great textile interests, are particularly vulnerable to the fluctuations of the franc, and are at present seeking support for their industries throughout the country.

They have already submitted their plan to various important groups, including the silk and metal industries, which, it is reported, have adhered in principle, subject to a satisfactory working out of details. These details, when agreed upon, will be laid before the Government.

Roughly, the proposal is, as already announced, to launch a loan of ten or twelve milliard francs here and abroad, especially in America, the proceeds of which would form a sinking fund for the amortization of the public debt. It is hoped thus to avoid the necessity of rushing the new taxation proposed by the various Finance Ministers, while restoring confidence at home and abroad in the future of French State finance.

The Right Hon. Walter Guinness, M.P., upon his appointment as Minister of Agriculture and Fisheries, had an audience of the King yesterday.

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IMPERIAL PARLIAMENT.

HOUSING PROBLEM.

MR. BALDWIN'S OFFER TO SCOTLAND.

FROM OUR PARLIAMENTARY CORRESPONDENT.

WESTMINSTER, Friday.

Allegations of failure on the part of the Government to deal with the housing problem were made by both Liberal and Labour members in the House this afternoon. The debate was considered of sufficient importance to call for a speech from the Prime Minister, who, however, devoted the main part of his argument to the situation as it affected Scotland.

The discussion was launched by Mr. Trevelyan Thomson, one of the members for Middlesborough, who has specialised on housing, and scarcely allows a day to pass without interrogating Ministers, in the hope of stirring them up. His charge against the Government was that they seemed to regard the situation with a complacency which was not shared by the victims of the unsatisfactory housing conditions throughout the country. They had had many assurances from the Minister of Health, but the fact remained, said Mr. Trevelyan Thomson, that there was a shortage of at least half a million houses which had to be made good.

Sir Leslie Scott, as a good Conservative, was inclined to blame the Labour Party, rather than the Government, for the tragic state of affairs, which he admitted existed, and he urged them to persuade the trade unions concerned to relax some of their rules and regulations, which put obstacles in the way of a more rapid erection of dwellings.

Successive speakers made suggestions as to how the problem might be solved. Large tenement buildings, which had been advocated by Sir Leslie Scott, were ruled out by Mr. Palin, as savouring too much of the German barrack system. He wanted to see nice-looking houses, up to the English idea of what houses should be. Colonel Freemantle advocated an extension of the garden city system. The Weir houses did not commend themselves to Mr. Arthur Greenwood, who stigmatised them as "ironed-out Army huts." He said that they were unsatisfactory and costly, and were really only favoured as an attempt to break trade unionism.

THE MINISTERS' CASE.

Mr. Neville Chamberlain was quite ready to admit that the objection to the Weir type of house was not altogether unreasonable. The inclination of the people was to have the kind of house to which they were accustomed, but the demand for houses was such that an alternative type was essential. He agreed that the more houses there were built by the ordinary methods the weaker became the case for alternative types; but it was plain that, if they were not to have the new methods, people must wait longer for houses. He proceeded to quote figures showing that the present rate of progress in the building of houses was not so unsatisfactory as some members imagined. In the period ending 1904 the average per year was 116,370. The average between 1909 and 1914 was 60,648. The figure in the present year had risen to 159,000, which should be cheering even to the hearts of Liberals.

Mr. Buchanan raised the subject of housing in Scotland. He declared that the situation there was infinitely worse than in England. Mr. Buchanan's speech drew a reply from the Prime Minister. Disclaiming any intention of posing as an expert on housing, Mr. Baldwin said that any attempt to plunge into its mysteries would take him into deep water. Addressing himself to the Scottish aspect of the question, however, he agreed that the situation was one which could not be contemplated with equanimity. Complaints had been made as to the rents charged; but in the absence of legislation houses were like other things—when there was a shortage of them the tendency was to raise the price. The surest way of bringing down the price was to build more houses.

It was plain to him that the special offer which he made in November of a £40 special subsidy for Scotland had definitely failed of its effect. That being so, the £40 subsidy scheme lapsed. The situation, however, could not be left like that, and the Government proposed to proceed forthwith with the erection of 2,000 houses by alternative methods. It was intended, in the first place, to utilise the Scottish National Housing Company on this work. The number of such houses, it was true, was small in proportion to the estimated shortage, but he hoped and believed that it would give that push to enterprise in Scotland, private or otherwise, which would put an end to what was becoming a national scandal.

Both Mr. James Stewart and Mr. Boothby welcomed the scheme as an earnest of the Government's attitude on social questions, and the House rose in a much more amicable frame of mind than at first seemed possible.

Before members departed the Prime Minister announced that the House would meet at the usual time on Monday next, when, after dealing with the Lords' amendments to certain bills, there would be a discussion on Iraq. The prorogation would take place on the following day.

MISSING LINEN.

2,000 YARDS IN THEFT CHARGE.

Francis McIlvenny, or Walsh, was in the Belfast Custody Court yesterday further remanded on bail until the 28th inst. charged with breaking into the warehouse of William Clark and Sons, Ltd., Bedford street, and stealing 552 yards black linen canvas, 926 yards white linen canvas, 386 yards shrunk linen duck, 285 yards soft black holland.

Simon Glynn, Tarleton street, Liverpool, stated that the accused called on him in August last and offered for sale a quantity of linen canvas. The witness bought the stuff at 4½d. per yard. On examining the bales, he found that the marks corresponded with the goods of Messrs. Clark and Sons, Howard street, Belfast. He wrote to Messrs. Clark's agent at Manchester, and, as a result of what he was told, he signed a cheque for £39. The cheque was not passed through the bank.

To Mr. Graham—The witness had not lost anything in the transaction.

The accused was represented by Mr. Donnelly and Mr. Graham.

DERRY APPRENTICE BOYS' CELEBRATION.

RECTOR WELCOMES BOUNDARY AGREEMENT.

The Apprentice Boys of Derry yesterday celebrated the 237th anniversary of the shutting of the gates of Derry. They assembled on the Walls at 11.30 a.m. and marched to the Cathedral, where a Service was held.

The preacher was the Reverend Samuel Chadweck, M.A., Rector, Gortin, Tyrone, who said that while they paid tribute to their present Northern leaders, they remembered the work done for law and order by the Constabulary forces. Speaking of the Constabulary, as a whole, they owed them a debt of gratitude for their protection through troublesome times.

To six counties people the outcome of the boundary negotiations must bring satisfaction and relief, for in that outcome there was hope of peace. They paid a tribute to the great work of Sir James Craig in helping to bring about the present boundary pact, they looked for brighter and more peaceful days.

In the afternoon the procession paraded the Walls, and a seventeen foot effigy of Colonel Lundy, suspended from the Governor Walker Memorial Pillar, was burned, the blaze being witnessed by many thousands of citizens.

UNSUCCESSFUL CLAIM TO VISCOUNTY.

The appeal of Alexander Grant, retired ator, of London, against the Countess of eafield and others, to have it declared that e is the eldest lawful and legitimate son of iscount Reidhaven, afterwards seventh Earl . Seafield, was dismissed in the Second ivision, Court of Session, Edinburgh, yesrday, with costs to the defendants.

The judges stated that evidence of ordinary hysical semblance was not admitted by cots law.

ROYAL BANK CLERKSHIPS.
Candidates should note that at each of the st 3 Examinations the great majority of the ppointments were gained by Pupils of osse College, Stephen's Green, Dublin.
—(Advt.)

POLITICAL NOTES.

A MOMENTOUS SESSION.

FROM OUR POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT.

Perhaps the shortest, and yet the most momentous session in the history of the present Dail, closed on Thursday evening, when Deputies, weary of the "blizzard of words," which accompanied the consideration of the London Boundary Agreement Bill, adjourned until January 19th next.

The Session began on November 3rd, and lasted just over six weeks. Unlike many previous sessions, it was not marked by the passing of a great volume of legislation; indeed, only one measure passed by the House, and subsequently considered by the Senate, is now law—The Treaty (Confirmation of Amending Agreement) Bill. Several other bills were, of course, debated and passed by the Dail, but only two of them—the Local Elections Postponement Bill, and the Expiring Laws Bill—have been passed by the Senate, and these will not become law until the expiration of seven days from the date of the final reading, when they will receive the Royal Assent. A few other bills sent to the Senate from the Dail have been "carried over" in various stages of progress for debate next session.

Although the output of legislation was small, there was no lack of interest in the debates. Scarcely a day passed that was not marked by "incidents," and the abundance of speeches will, no doubt, fill a very large volume of the Free State "Hansard."

When the House resumed after a three months' rest the question of the Shannon scheme was brought before the Dail by the Labour Party leader, who moved "a fair wage" resolution. After a debate lasting over three hours the House adjourned for a week. On its reassembly and during the ensuing five weeks the agenda was packed with controversial items, all of which resulted in long debates.

For several days a wordy warfare was waged on President Cosgrave's motion to approve of the policy of the Ministry for Education. Members demanded light and yet more light on the erring ways of the department. The Civil Service Regulation (Amendment) Bill, which deputies from all benches declared would make an unjust discrimination between men and women candidates for civil service jobs, escaped rejection by a narrow majority of five, only to meet with defeat by twenty votes to nine when it reached a second reading in the Senate.

A pleasing feature of the recent debates was the deep interest taken by the public in the Dail proceedings. One gentleman, himself not a citizen of the Free State, though well known in its public life, sat in the Strangers' Gallery throughout the entire debate on the Boundary Agreement Bill. Deputies were daily besieged by their constituents to get them seats in the Public Gallery, which was almost invariably packed.

INJURED WORKERS' COMPENSATION.

POSITION OF THOSE OUTSIDE THE FREE STATE.

"Owing to the close business relations between the Free State, Great Britain and Northern Ireland and to the existence of the border, conventions would be necessary to provide for Free State nationals employed outside the Free State. The more closely the schemes of insurance approximated in the three countries, the easier would be the drawing up of these conventions."

Thus remarked Mr. J. C. Foley, F.A.A., as President of the Association of Chambers of Commerce of the Irish Free State, giving evidence at a further sitting yesterday of the Departmental Committee on Workmen's Compensation at the offices of the Ministry of Industry and Commerce, Lord Edward street, Dublin.

Mr. Foley said that an increase of the maximum for non-manual workers to £350 would, they believed, bring in all those who had been excluded from the benefits of the 1906 Act by reason of the increase in money wages, and any extension to include casual workers would prove very difficult in operation.

EMPLOYERS' POSITION.

The phrase, "arising out of and in the course of employment," should remain unaltered. The employer should not be liable for accidents arising out of culpable negligence on the part of the employé, but in the case of death or serious permanent disablement provision should be made similar to that embodied in the British Act of 1923.

In granting a weekly benefit of 50 per cent. of the wages the employer might be regarded as having done his share. Any extension of the workmen's benefit to 66⅔, as advocated by the Trades Congress, should be provided by the employé's trade union, if necessary, by insurance in the same manner as the employer.

At present there was no machinery for providing medical aid in Ireland, and its provision might add a considerable burden to industry. To avoid administrative costs, medical aid should be provided by some extension of the Health Insurance Acts, and before coming to any conclusions on this subject employers would like to have before them the report of the Free State Committee on National Health Insurance and Medical Services.

The Committee adjourned until January 4th, 1926, at 3 o'clock.

DUTY-FREE FILMS.

FREE STATE FACILITIES FOR EDUCATIONAL PICTURES.

The Revenue Commissioners of the Irish Free State have issued a notice (No. 87) relating to duty-free admission into the Saorstát of films of an educational character. For the purpose of exemption from import duty educational films are defined as follows:—

Films of the following descriptions, which are produced and arranged with the object of affording instruction in the subjects dealt with and which are obviously suitable, as regards arrangement and titling, for the purpose of imparting instruction in such subjects—viz.,

Films which deal exclusively with—

(1) Subjects included in courses of study in public schools, colleges or universities;

(2) Any branch of agriculture, including horticulture and live stock breeding;

(3) Any branch of the manufacturing industry;

(3) Questions relating to the public health.

Importers who desire exemption from import duty are required to enter each film for warehousing on Form No. 46 (Sale), and to present at the same time a claim in duplicate on Form No. 116a (Sale) to the Collector of Customs and Excise at the port or place of importation. These forms may be purchased through any bookseller or direct from Messrs. Eason and Son, Ltd., 40-41 Lower Sackville street Dublin.

GAME PROSECUTION.

CORK URBAN COUNCILLOR FINED.

Maurice Desmond, Urban District Councillor, Midleton, Co. Cork, was fined 10s. at the local Sessions yesterday, for having trespassed on the lands of Mr. Smith-Barry, at Ballynona North, in pursuit of game, on four successive Sundays during the month of November last.

For the defence, it was stated that Mr. Desmond acted on an invitation from a farmer, who believed that he had the right to shoot there, as he was a tenant to the complainant. The defendant refused to go off the lands when ordered to do so by the gamekeeper. It was further stated that Mr. Desmond had despatched to the complainant two woodcocks, which he had shot on the lands, and that these were accepted.

THE LIGHTING OF LUCAN.

For the first time since the closing down of the Dublin and Lucan Tramway Company in February last electric lighting was supplied to Lucan and the surrounding districts on Thursday night last. This was done by arrangement with the Dublin United Tramways Company.

It is hoped locally that the work of relaying the line on the wider gauge will be begun as soon as possible. The work will give much-needed employment.

Mrs. Johnson, the Kettering centenarian, died yesterday.

FILM-MAKING SCENE IN MOSCOW.

CROWDS STAMPEDED BY TERRIFIED HORSES.

RIGA, Friday.

In order to attract crowds for the purpose of filming scenes representing the revolution of 1905, a Moscow cinematograph company advertised that a free cinema performance would be given in Moscow.

Large numbers of people assembled, and the operators began to take a picture of them, but suddenly some horses, which became terrified by the light projector that was being used, stampeded.

There was a general panic among the crowd, who fought madly to escape, and many people were trampled under foot.

The official report of the incident does not give the number of people killed.

Similar accidents occurred when other scenes were being filmed for the same picture. At Krasnaya Presnia the victims included a woman artist named Lavrovskaya, who fell and was trampled under foot by a huge crowd.

A MODERN DICK WHITTINGTON.

DRAPER'S BOY TO MINE-OWNER.

A romantic business career was brought to a close in tragic circumstances in Llanelly late last night, when Mr. Evan Jones, J.P., ex-High Sheriff of Cardiganshire, who had risen from the position of a draper's boy to become a reputed millionaire, was found dead, hanging from an oak tree in a quarry on his own estate, on the outskirts of Llanelly.

Mr. Jones, who went to Llanelly as a draper's boy fifty years ago, had been responsible for extensive colliery developments around Llanelly. It was fourteen days ago that he completed the sale to a large anthracite combine of his Trimsaran Collieries and estate for a figure, which was reported to be in the neighbourhood of half-a-million sterling.

To facilitate his coal trading with foreign countries, Mr. Jones, shortly after the war, bought a fleet of ships which traded from Llanelly. His venture in this direction, however, was not a successful one, and he sold his ships some months ago for a mere song. He was a director of the Stepney Tyres, Ltd., Llanelly.

He was recently described as the modern "Dick Whittington," owing to the phenomenal progress that he had made. Mr. Jones was sixty-five years of age, and leaves a widow, two sons and one daughter.

WASTED TIME.

WATERFORD CORPORATION AND THE BOUNDARY.

By 14 votes to 8, on Thursday, the Waterford Corporation passed the following resolution:—"That we stand unflinchingly for the sovereign independence of Ireland, and record our unalterable opposition to the partition of our country."

The motion was proposed by Alderman Doyle, who said that the London agreement was reached behind the people's back and would not bring peace.

Alderman Thomas McDonald, who seconded, said that Ireland would never be a nation when she was partitioned.

The Labour members declared that they recognised no boundary, and they held out the hand of friendship to the men of the North, as well as to the men of the South, East and West.

Councillor David McDonald said that they were only wasting breath by debating the resolution. They would be better employed in trying to reduce the rates, which stood at 21s. 5d. in the pound, as compared with 18s. 6d. last year. He believed that the old Irish Party could have made a better settlement with the North.

Sir Henry Forde also stated that the debate was a waste of time. He believed that the boundary would not be in existence for long, and that the Government had made a good arrangement.

Five members of the Corporation abstained from voting on the resolution.

LONDON THEATRES.

"PETER PAN" AT THE SHAFTESBURY.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

LONDON, Friday.

What a magical play "Peter Pan" is. I have seen Sir J. M. Barrie's fairy play each Christmas for the past twelve years, and every time it seems more fascinating than before. This afternoon the Shaftesbury Theatre was packed with a delighted audience. The infectious laughter of the youngsters at the children's efforts to fly, their unbounded enthusiasm when Peter Pan routed the terrific Hook in single combat, and their shrieks of glee at the redoubtable Starkie turned nursemaid were a joy to hear.

The production is picturesque, and compares favourably with that of previous years, the scene on board the pirate ship being particularly impressive, and the final glimpse of the little Wendy House in the tree top was like a scene out of fairyland.

The part of Peter is the ambition of most young actresses, and, it must be confessed, is an ordeal. Miss Dorothy Dickson acquitted herself well. She has a wistful charm eminently suitable to Peter in his quiet moments, and managed the more boisterous scenes very creditably. Miss Angela Du Maurier is once again a sweet and motherly Wendy, and Mr. Lyn Harding an awe-inspiring Hook. His struttings and posturing kept the kiddies continuously thrilled. Mr. George Shelton has played the nonconformist pirate Smee every year since the play was first produced, and the bairns love him. Other people in the cast are Miss Prudence Vanbrugh as Mrs. Darling, Miss Audrey Lucas, the daughter of the essayist, as Tootles; Miss Diana Beaumont, niece of Mr. Gerald Du Maurier, as Curly; and Miss Joan de la Mare, daughter of the poet, as one of the twins. "Peter Pan" is played in the afternoons only.

"ALF'S BUTTON" AT THE NEW OXFORD.

That amusing extravaganza, "Alf's Button," was revived to-night at the New Oxford Theatre, and, judging from the peals of laughter, will prove one of the most popular of the Christmas entertainments.

A private in the Army becomes possessed of a magical button, and has only to rub it for the "Slave of the Button" to execute his wishes. There is a great deal of fun when the private and his friend find themselves in a sort of Eastern harem, and after weird and wonderful happenings Alf's little parlourmaid sweetheart induces him to part with the button.

An excellent cast worked hard to provide all the amusement possible from the diverting situations.

THE RAILWAY AWARD.

MR. THOMAS AND A STRIKE.

Speaking at Derby last night, Mr. J. H. Thomas explained his reasons for signing the railway wages award. He could, he said, have issued a flamboyant minority report. A strike at Christmas would not only have been disastrous to the men and ruinous to the country, but the eventual settlement, instead of being as good, would, in his judgment, have been ten thousand times worse.

They were meeting the companies on Monday regarding the proposed reduction of shopmen's wages, a proposal which it would be in the companies' best interests to withdraw.

BUSINESS MAN AS AMBASSADOR.

Mr. Ogden H. Hammond, President of the Broadway Improvement Company, has been nominated United States Ambassador to Spain.

JUNIOR EXECUTIVE OFFICERS.
Examination Announced for July, 1926.
Last Exam. (Male and Female) March, 1925. Successes from SKERRY'S COLLEGE, 76 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin: Messrs. Martin, Keady, Conroy, Dineen, O'Reilly, Dooley, Walsh, Callaghan, Lenihan, Dowling, Clancy, Glanville, Humphries, Roughan, O'Connor, O'Leary, Keane and Jennings. Best Result. Special Oral and Correspondence Classes now working.—(Advt.).

COMPLICATIONS IN NEAR EAST.

MEDINA, MOSUL, AND THEIR EFFECTS.

REPORTS OF TURKISH ACTIVITY.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

BEIRUT, Friday.

Islam is seething with the re-action from three great events, affecting not only the future of the Mohammedan world, but Europe's future relations with the Near East, and is faced with the possibility of new wars.

The first is the League of Nations' decision on Mosul; the second, the Franco-British accord regarding the mandates; the third, Sultan Ibn Saud's capture of Medina and the establishment of a Wahabi Kingdom, with the re-establishment of the Caliphate imminent.

Whilst the British authorities believe that Turkey is bluffing and is certain that three hundred aeroplanes can check the Turkish Army, other military experts are sure that the Turkish irregulars would have crossed the Taurus Mountains into the plains of Mosul if the mountains had not been blocked with snows, as they are at present. Many believe that the spring will see such a movement unless new agreements are reached in the meantime.

The capture of Medina is one of the biggest events in the modern history of Islam. Ibn Saud is reported to be determined to "clean up" Mohammedanism. The chief enemy of Sultan Ibn Saud is the Hachimite family, the chief of which is King Hussein, now exiled in Cyprus. His son, King Feisul, is now ruling in Mesopotamia; his son, King Ali, is ruling the Hedjaz; and his son, King Abdulla, is ruling Transjordania. Sultan Ibn Saud, it is commonly reported, is determined to wipe out all these, establishing himself as Sultan of Pan-Arabia. While Ibn Saud is professing friendship for Britain, in exchange for gold, experts believe that he will not hesitate to lead Islam in an attempt to shake off the European protectorates and mandates.

The announcement of Franco-British unity in the Near East has flattened the pan-Arabian sails. Simultaneously, the French have received reports of Turkish movements on their Syrian frontier, as well as of Turkish officers operating with machine-guns and cannon, which the Druses captured, but could not fire.

No officials are willing to say what the Franco-British co-operation will amount to in the coming spring, but everyone admits that Franco-British co-operation can alone maintain peace and civilisation in the Orient.

DRUSE COMMANDER KILLED.

It is officially confirmed to-day that Fuad Selim, Commander-in-Chief of the whole of the Druse rebel army, has been killed in battle.

FROM "THE TIMES" CORRESPONDENT.

DEFENDING DAMASCUS.

DAMASCUS, Friday.

The centre of interest appears to be again shifting to Damascus. While it is reported from Beritur that there is activity in the direction of making peace, military operations are still in progress here against the brigands, to whom the city has hitherto been exposed. Colonel Andrea, who, in addition to being the new Governor of the Jebel Druse, is now also in command in Damascus, admits that, on account of its shape and position in the midst of an oasis of orchards, the city cannot be defended from within. Hitherto it has been impossible to defend it from outside owing to lack of troops, but now this can be done, and Colonel Andrea proposes to surround the city with a series of blockhouses connected by barbed wire.

The municipality has long had a scheme for cutting boulevards through the orchard area, and Colonel Andrea is putting that into effect. A boulevard 94 feet wide is to be cut through the damson and apricot orchards right through the city. In between the blockhouses the trees felled to make way for the boulevard will be made into an abattis with barbed wire. This new boulevard will only be crossed at the main points of entry into the city, where there will be strong control posts.

BEIRUT, Friday.

The Executive Committee of the Syro-Palestinian Congress, apparently disillusioned at the unexpected effect of the extreme demands on the Damascenes, has sent a letter to a Damascus newspaper, denying that it has collaborated with the insurgents, and representing its actions as being purely pacific. The military authorities have notified the Damascenes that all arms and munitions must be given up before the end of the month.

It is reported that 200 brigands are operating fifteen miles east of Homs, and that 800 Druses are in the neighbourhood of Hasbeiya. The insurgents are trying to provoke a general rising, but apparently with small chance of success, and the Denashli tribe, in the Alawiya, has definitely declared that it will not join the rebellion.

FRENCH CHAMBER AND SYRIA.

PARIS, Friday.

The interpellations respecting Syria were discussed in the French Chamber this afternoon. M. Desire Ferry delivered a violent indictment of General Sarrail, which evoked protests form M. Painlevé. The debate was then adjourned till Sunday morning.—(Reuter.)

ENTERTAINMENT TAX.

BRAY CINEMA PROPRIETOR FINED £450.

Fines totalling £1,800, mitigated to one-fourth—£450—were imposed on J. E. McDermott, proprietor of the Bray Picture House, at Bray District Court yesterday, on summonses brought by the Revenue Commissioners in respect of the stamping and issuing of tickets on the 28th and 29th June last.

Mr. A. Cullen, State Solicitor for County Wicklow, appeared for the prosecution, and Mr. M. Maguire (instructed by Mr. J. M. Magee, solicitor), was for the defence.

Mr. Price, D.J., in giving judgment, dismissed sixteen summonses for non-defacing and non-return of portion of the tickets to persons entering the cinema.

With regard to two summonses for issuing tickets which did not show whether the price included tax he convicted. He also convicted on a summons for failure to keep torn portions of tickets for each day. He convicted on thirty-two summonses for issuing tickets insufficiently stamped, and on one summons where on a 5d. ticket a penny stamp was placed, and where 6d. was charged in respect of a child's ticket. He did not impute any dishonesty to Mr. McDermott, who, he thought, gave his evidence in a very straightforward manner. As this picture house had been visited previously, and Mr. McDermott had not been notified of these irregularities, it was a proper case in which to exercise the privilege of mitigation. He imposed fines of £50 on each of thirty-six summonses, mitigated to one-fourth.

Mr. Magee gave notice of appeal.

QUEBEC JUDICIAL SYSTEM.

PRIVY COUNCIL FINDINGS "NOT LAW."

MONTREAL, Friday.

Privy Council judgments do not make the law of this province, declared Mr. Justice Bruneau here to-day, commenting on the precedents in the marital separation cases. He added:—We have in Quebec our own laws and our own judicial system, according to which judges have not the power to make laws. A Privy Council judgment may be binding on the parties involved in this province, but they do not make law. While Privy Council judgments may be law in other provinces, they are not so here.—(Reuter.)

SUGAR FACTORY.

BISHOP'S APPEAL TO FARMERS.

The Bishop of Ossory (the Right Rev. Dr. Day) has addressed a letter to the Church of Ireland farmers in Counties Carlow, Kilkenny, Wexford and Leix, urging them to do their part in ensuring the success of the beet sugar factory at Carlow by growing as much sugar beet as possible, and signing the necessary guarantees as to acreage.

RAID ON BARRACKS.

GUARDS HANDCUFFED AND LOCKED UP.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

NAVAN, Friday.

The little village of Summerhill, midway between Trim and Kilcock, was the scene of a sensational occurrence last night, when the Civic Guard Barracks was raided by armed men, numbering between twenty and forty, who handcuffed the Guards along with their sergeant—Frank Flood—and locked them up in the little cell in the barrack, and left with three new bicycles, the men's money, and all the official correspondence in the barrack. It is surmised that the documents were the object of the visit.

Some of the raiders were well acquainted with the situation of the little building which serves as a barrack—it was a private dwelling before the Guards took it over, the old R.I.C. barrack having been burned down during the troubles. It would appear that the men, who were masked, suddenly appeared in front of the barrack at 8 or 8.30 o'clock. Some of them entered the building and called upon the Guards inside (three, including the sergeant) to hold up their hands. The Guards were then handcuffed and locked up in the cell.

The raiders ransacked the building from end to end, and took away the Guards' bicycles, all the correspondence, and the men's money. They also appropriated the batons.

A small crowd of curious villagers which had gathered in front of the barrack was peremptorily ordered off by the raiders, who came, it is surmised, from the Dublin direction.

The barrack accommodates four Guards, and the raiders had gone by the time when the fourth Guard returned from duty. He opened the cell door, but he could not liberate his comrades from the handcuffs, as the keys had been taken away by the raiders. Eventually a hacksaw was procured, and by this means the handcuffs were cut through—a tedious process. Then a message was sent to Trim Civic Guards Barrack.

Superintendent Burke in a short time had his men scouring the district, aided by the military from Mullingar. So far the raiders have not been traced.

A number of petty robberies have taken place in isolated country districts around of late. Houses have been entered and men waylaid.

COLLISION IN MID-AIR.

LUCKY ESCAPE OF FOUR MEN.

Four men, stationed at Andover aerodrome, had a remarkable escape in a collision between two aeroplanes in mid-air on Thursday. One machine crashed, and the other was brought safely to the ground.

The machines concerned were a Bristol fighter, flown by Flying Officer Lee, and an Avro, piloted by Flying Officer O'Brien. In the collision the Avro's tail was partly cut away, and the machine dropped in a field. The pilot was pinned under a portion of the machine, which was smashed, and he received cuts on the face.

His passenger, Aircraftsman Bennett, was more seriously hurt about the head.

AIRMAN'S FATAL DIVE.

The Royal Air Force is bound to take risks, said the East Kent Coroner at an inquest last night on Leading Aircraftsman Edward Emmanuel Dunn, aged 23, of Maidstone, who was killed on Wednesday in an air collision at Manston aerodrome.

In attempting a spiral dive from a height of seven hundred feet, he crashed two hundred feet below on a machine flown by Leading Aircraftsman Parrish, who is recovering in hospital.

Returning a verdict of misadventure the Coroner said that no amount of regulations would make flying safe, but it was necessary for the protection of the country that those young men should learn to fly, and all appreciated their courage.

POPE AND IRISH PEOPLE.

PETER'S PENCE OFFERING.

The following is a copy of a letter received by the Most Rev. Dr. Harty, Archbishop of Cashel:—

My Lord Archbishop,—Piously desirous of relieving the wants of the Apostolic See, which daily grow more pressing, those who recently came in pilgrimage from Ireland to this Eternal City, presented to His Holiness the sum of 82,000 lire (£700), as an offering of Peter's Pence.

This act has given joy to our common Father, for he has seen in it a further and very striking manifestation of their charity. Hence in returning the thanks due to all who contributed or who collected this donation, and especially to Your Grace, the august Pontiff prays that God may bestow on you and them his choicest gifts.

As a pledge of these heavenly favours, and in token of his own affection, he lovingly gives to you and to the whole clergy and people his Apostolic Blessing.

While conveying this message to you, I desire to add the expression of my own very great esteem, and I remain, Your Grace's devoted servant,

(Signed),
P. CARDINAL GASPARRI.

CHRISTMAS TREES AS USUAL.

FASCISTS REPEAL EDICT IN THE TYROL.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

BERLIN, Friday.

I understand that, in view of the international protests against the banning of Christmas trees and decorations in South Tyrol by the Italians, the order has been repealed by the Fascist authorities.

This repeal followed a storm of protest throughout Germany against Mussolini's decree against the Germans in the Tyrol. Herr Stresemann's newspaper in an editorial warned the Italian Government—"The measure is full. One more drop and it will spill over."

Summing up the oppression of the two hundred and thirty thousand Germans in the Tyrol, the newspaper declares that troops have fired on German processions, the Government has closed all German schools, has broken up kindergartens, dissolved all German organisations, forbidden the singing of German songs, and forced priests to deliver sermons only in Italian, and has forbidden religious instruction in German.

"How can a Government which demands that it should be considered seriously attempt to order how Church celebrations are to be carried out?" the paper asks.

SCHOONER FOUNDERS OFF WICKLOW COAST.

CREW TAKEN ASHORE IN FISHING BOAT.

The schooner John Morrison (Captain Kearon) sprang a leak and foundered off the Wicklow coast on last Thursday.

Bound from Waterford to Garston, with a cargo of timber, the schooner put into Wicklow port during a gale. On Thursday afternoon the captain put to sea, but in doing so it would appear the stern struck the pierhead when making clear. It was not till some distance out that it was discovered that a hole had been torn in the ship's timbers, and at once the pumps were set going. Off Mizzen Head the condition became perilous, and Captain Kearon signalled to the fishing boat Ben Eider, Howth (Skipper Daly), for assistance. The Ben Eider took the schooner in tow, but some two miles south of Wicklow Head it became apparent that the vessel could not make port, and the crew were transferred to the Ben Eider.

Kept from sinking by her cargo and securely anchored, there is a probability that the schooner will yet be brought to safety.

CHEAPER FLOUR.

The London Flour Millers' Association announces a reduction of 1s. in the price of standard grade flour, making the price in the home counties 50s. per 280 lbs.

The names of the Rev. John Powell and Messrs. E. A. Forrester Mayston, C. Forrester Mayston, and R. J. Forrester Mayston were inadvertently omitted from the list of those who attended Lady Ardilaun's funeral.

RELIEF IN DUBLIN.

800 MEN GIVEN WORK FOR CHRISTMAS.

Since last Monday upwards of 600 men have been employed on relief work in the city. The works at present in hand include road construction, excavation and clearance of laneways and laying of concrete surfaces, drainage works, extra cleansing work, and the clearance of sites in preparation for house-building.

As a result of representations made by the Commissioners of the County Borough of Dublin and of the Dublin Union to the Ministry of Local Government, notification was received by telephone on December 11 that £10,000 would be made available for relief works. Confirmation has since been received by letter.

On learning that the grant would be forthcoming, steps were taken to employ men, and work was started on Monday last. The Commissioners have adopted the policy of employing the largest number possible before Christmas rather than a smaller number of men for a longer period.

The amount of the grant by the Government will enable the Commissioners to continue relief employment for a period of about five weeks. The inadequacy of the sum has been pointed out to the Minister for Local Government, and it may be possible that a further sum will be allocated out of the supplementary vote for unemployment.

PROVISION OF SCHOOL MEALS.

The Commissioners have also placed additional funds at the disposal of the School Meals Committee to enable the provision of meals to be continued during the period of the Christmas holidays, when otherwise no meals would be provided.

The Commissioners have also issued directions to the various departments of the Corporation to anticipate their requirements of clothing and stationery for a period of two months, with the object of affording the various contractors an opportunity of maintaining their staff at full strength or, possibly, of augmenting same.

It is the earnest desire of the Commissioners that employers generally throughout the city will co-operate, as far as it is in their power to do so, with the Commissioners in endeavouring to afford the maximum amount of employment at the present season.

COACHBUILDING IN THE FREE STATE.

REVISION OF TARIFFS URGED.

Yesterday evening a deputation representing the vehicle builders' and the kindred trades, working in the Free State waited on a number of deputies of all parties in the Dail, with a view to securing their support in urging on the Government the necessity of revising the existing tariffs on imported motor cars, private and commercial.

The deputation suggested an import duty of 55 per cent. *ad valorem*, with a minimum of £40 for single-seater bodies and £60 for double-seater or larger bodies. Also that an import duty of 55 per cent. *ad valorem*, with a minimum of £10, be passed on all horse-drawn vehicles, and 33⅓ per cent. on all manufactured parts of similar vehicles.

The proceedings were presided over by Mrs. Collins-O'Driscoll, T.D., and several deputies were present.

The deputation was introduced by Mr. P. S. Doyle, T.D.

After prolonged discussion the deputation withdrew, their case being promised full consideration.

AMERICAN PASSPORT REFUSED.

PRINCESS CHARGED AS SOVIET AGENT.

IRISH TIMES FOREIGN SERVICE.
FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

PARIS, Friday.

What is believed to be a sensational chapter in the history of Communist propaganda has been brought to a climax with the formal refusal of the American Consul in Paris, Mr. Donald Bigelow, to *visa* the passport of the Princess Zizianoff, now a resident of a fashionable hotel in the Avenue des Champs Elysées.

Feted and acclaimed from one end of America to the other during her triumphant tour last winter, the Georgian Princess has been told that she is a menace to American political institutions, and is not to be trusted within the country's borders.

"The Consulate-General has learned from authentic sources," yesterday declared Consul Bigelow, Director of the Paris Passport Bureau, "that Princess Zizianoff was arrested during the war as an agent of the Central Powers in Petrograd, and deported to Siberia; that she is at present an agent of the Soviet Government, and that during the past year she has been conducting sham anti-Bolshevik propaganda in the United States and Canada, with a view to establishing relations with influential societies and individuals."

The records state that the Princess entered the employ of the Central Powers as a spy, operating in pre-Bolshevik Russia. Following deportation from Russia little is known of the dramatic history of the Princess up to the point of her American tour, which opened last December in New York, and included lectures before scores of the most prominent patriotic societies in the United States. The evils of Bolshevism constituted the theme of the Princess Zizianoff's lectures, and brought showers of complimentary letters from her hearers.

Six months was the duration of the Princess's first American tour, after which she visited Canada for a two months' tour; then returned to the United States for another three months' visit on a temporary visit *visa*.

When seen at her hotel last night, Princess Zizianoff declared that she had not yet received official notice of the action of the Passport Bureau.

Questioned with regard to the charges of Communist sympathies, she denied them categorically.

"In the event that the *visa* is refused," declared the Princess, "I am too much of a lady to make any further objections. There is nothing more to be done about it."

AMERICA AND RUBBER PRICES.

PROTEST IN CONGRESS.

NEW YORK, Friday.

The stormy question of rubber and the effect of the Stevenson restriction scheme, which has already provoked much protest in this country, came up before Congress to-day, when Mr. J. Q. Tilson, Republican leader in the House of Representatives, demanded an immediate investigation by a Committee of the House into the whole rubber situation.

Mr. Tilson stated that the "manipulation" of crude rubber prices by the British Colonial Governments was already costing the United States industry 700,000,000 dollars more than was warranted. His demand for an investigation followed a conference which he had this morning with Mr. Hoover.—(Reuter.)

CHAMPION BOXER IN STREET COMEDY.

HALIFAX, NOVA SCOTIA, Friday.

Mickey Walker, the world's welter-weight champion, who has spent the past fortnight in Nova Scotia lumber camps in preparation for his coming contest with Tommy Milligan, was walking through the streets of Sydney, Nova Scotia, when he was accosted by a lumber contractor, who, thinking that Walker and his trainer were unemployed, offered them jobs.

Walker replied that he had a prior engagement with Tommy Milligan. The contractor offered to pay more than "this man Milligan," and, upon a second refusal, he disgustedly said: "Some of you fellows just do not want to work."

FALL OF JEDDAH IMMINENT.

BOMBAY, Friday.

According to latest advices from Jeddah, which is being besieged by the forces of Ibn Saud, the defences of the city have virtually collapsed. King Ali of the Hedjaz is arranging to leave the city, but it is understood that he will not join his father in Cyprus.—(Reuter.)

JUNIOR EXECUTIVE OFFICERS.
Exam. announced for July. Special Classes —Oral and Correspondence—now forming. McGUIRE'S COLLEGE, 5 Gardiner's Row, Dublin.—(Advt.)

U.S. MARKETS.

MONEY ADVANCED TO 5½ PER CENT.

(REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.)

NEW YORK, Friday.

Stocks opened strong. An early conspicuous rise in Motors, Equipments, Tobaccos and Food Shares was followed by a decline, when the banks unexpectedly called in loans, and money advanced to 5½ per cent. Subsequent buying operations were started in minor railroads and specialities, but the persistent realising in Motors and the heaviness of Railroads caused frequent reactions. S. S. Kresge temporarily advanced 13, General Electric and Postum Cereal 10, and U.S. Cast Iron Pipe, United Fruit, Pressed Steel Car Common and Preferred, and General Cigar 4 to 5 points. Oils were accumulated on a large scale in the final dealings, when American Smelting and Refining and National Lead also became strong. The market closed irregular. Government Bonds easy; Railroad Bonds steady. The day's sales totalled 1,740,000 shares.

Money on call closed firm, at 5½ per cent. bid and 5¾ per cent. asked. Business was done during the day at from 4¾ per cent. to 5½ per cent., with the ruling rate 4¾ per cent. The last transaction was at 5½ per cent. Sterling exchange irregular. Silver ⅜c. higher at 69.

	Fri.	Thur
Call Money	5½b. 5¾a	4¾b. 5a
Exchange on Lon. 60 days sight	4.80⅛	4.80⅜
Do. do. Demand Bills	4.84¾	4.84½
Cable Transfers	4.85⅛	4.85⅜
Do. Montreal	4.85⅛	4.85⅝
Exchange Paris, cable	3.81½	3.63

Eng. Parity	Stocks.	Closing Bid Business Prices. Done. Fri	Thur
105¾	U.S. Funded	102½	102¼
133⅝	Atch., Top., Santa Fe	129⅝	130
99⅝	Do. Preference	96⅝	96¾
95⅛	Baltimore and Ohio	92⅝	92¾
150¾	Canadian Pacific	146¼	146¾
10⅛	Chic., Mil., and St. Paul	10⅛	10¾
80⅜	Chicago and N.-West	77¾	79¾
39⅛	Erie Shares	38⅛	38¾
43⅜	Erie 1st Preferred	44⅜	44⅝
126⅜	Illinois Central	123	122
146⅛	Louisville and Nashville	142	142
42⅛	Missouri, Kan., and Texas	41⅜	42
41¾	Missouri Pacific New	40	40
133¾	N.Y. Ctl. and Hudson R.	129¾	130⅛
152⅛	Norfolk and West Com.	148½	148¾
78⅞	Northern Pacific Com.	76⅛	77⅛
55⅛	Pennsylvania Shares	54¼	54⅝
90⅞	Reading Shares	88	89
41	Do. Preferred	39¾	39¾
122	Southern Railway	118⅜	118⅞
104⅛	Southern Pacific	101	101⅜
153⅛	Union Pacific	148¾	148¾
77⅛	Do. Pref.	75	74
138⅜	American Smelt. and Refining	134¼	132
51⅛	Anaconda Copper	49⅝	49⅝
28⅛	British-American Tobacco Ord.	28¾	27⅛
97⅛	New York Consolidated Gas.	94¾	94⅜
330⅞	General Electric	321	314¾
172⅜	National Lead	167½	162
137⅞	United States Steel Common	133¾	133⅝
128⅛	Do. Pref.	125	126
49¾	Bethlehem Steel Com. Stock	47¾	47⅛
116⅛	General Motors (New)	112¾	113⅜
11½	Inter. Mer. Marine Com. Certs.	11½	11¾
44⅛	Do. Pref. Certs.	43	43⅜
47⅛	Shell Ordinary	46	46⅝
80⅛	Pan American Petroleum Ord.	78⅜	77⅞
18⅛	Anglo American Oil	17¼	18
26⅛	Shell Union Oil Corp.	25⅞	25½
85⅛	U.S. Rubber	82¼	84½
261⅛	American Can.	253⅜	253
34⅛	International Pet. of Canada	33⅜	33½
—	Silver Commercial Bars	69	68⅝
	BONDS		
92¾	Atch. Top. New 4% Gen. Mort.	89¾	89⅛
69⅞	Erie Rail. Gen. 4% Lien Bonds	67⅜	68
95⅛	Union Pacific 4% Bonds	92⅛	92⅛
108¾	U.S. Steel 2nd Mort. 5% Bonds	105⅛	105⅛
121⅜	U.K. 5½ per cent. Bonds, 1929	117¾	—
117⅛	Do. Do 1937	104¾	104¾
104⅛	7 p.c. German Loan	101⅜	101⅜

* Asked. † Ex div. ‡ Ex interest. § Ex rights.

NEW YORK PRODUCE MARKETS.

WHEAT easy, 1¼c. to 2½c. lower.

	To-day.	Prev. day.
No. 2 Hard Winter, spot	191	192¾
No. 2 Red Winter, spot	188¾	191⅛
No. 2 Mixed Durum, spot	163	166⅜
No. 1 Northern Manitoba, spot	175⅞	177⅞

Sales for export—Nil.

RYE easy, 1¼c. cheaper. No. 2 spot, 111¼.

Sales for export—Nil.

BARLEY steady and unaltered. American malting, 74.

MAIZE easy, 2¼c. lower.

	To-day.	Prev-day.
Western No. 2 mixed spot	88⅜	90⅞

Sales for export—Nil.

LARD firm, 25 points dearer. Prime Western steam, 15.20; Middle West, 15.00 to 15.10.

FLOUR steady. Spring clears, 100 per cent., 7.75 to 8.25.

FREIGHTS.

Heavy grain to Great Britain, per quarter, 2/9 to 3/3.

Heavy grain to Continent, per 100lbs., 13c. to 16c.

Cotton—High density to Great Britain, per 100lbs., 30c.

Cotton—Standard bales to Great Britain, per 100lbs., 45c.

PETROLEUM steady.

	To-day.	Prev. day.
Standard White in cases	17.90	17.90
Standard White in barrels	14.50	14.50
Do. Philadelphia	14.50	14.50
Mid-Continent Crude	33-33.9	33-33.9
Pennsylvania Crude	2.95-3.65	2.95-3.65

RUBBER—No business; erratic. First latex crepe, 89¼ sellers; smoked ribbed sheets, 88¾ buyers, 90¼ sellers.

BURLAPS quiet. Hessian cloth, light-weight, 9.05; heavy-weight, 11.60.

COFFEE—

Futures—Options—	Dec.	Jan.		
To-day	16.75	16.65		
Prev.day	16.45	16.40		
	Mar.	May	July	Sept.
To-day	16.55	16.40	16.10	15.70
Prev. day	16.31	16.16	15.90	15.55

SUGAR irregular, 7 points down to 2 points up. Centrifugal Cuban barely steady, 4 points down; 96 test centrifugal Cuban, 4.08. Approximate day's sales—28,000 tons.

Options—	Dec.	Jan.	Mar.	May	July	Sept.
To-day	2.23	2.31	2.37	2.49	2.59	2.69
Prev. day	2.30	2.29	2.38	2.50	2.60	2.70

Sugar sale—20,000 bags of Cuban at 4.03 for prompt shipment.

TALLOW steady. Extra loose, 9⅞.

TURPENTINE—Spirits of turpentine, 99; Savannah spirits of turpentine, 92.

METALS.—Tin steady, 25 points up to unchanged; spot, 62.62½; future option, 61.75. Tin Plates, 5.50. Lead steady, 9.25. Zinc steady and unchanged; East St. Louis spot, 8.72½. Iron steady; No. 2 American Northern Foundry, 22.00. Electrolytic Copper steady and unaltered; spot, 14⅛ to 14¼; futures, 14⅛ to 14¼. Bessemer Steel Rails, 43.

WINNIPEG GRAINS.

WHEAT opened easy, 1½c. to ⅜c. cheaper, and closed easy, 1¼c. to 2c. cheaper. Opening options—Dec., 151⅝; May, 154½; July, 152½. Closing options—Dec., 151⅞; May, 153¾; July, 151⅞. Rye easy, 1⅛c. to 1⅜c. lower. Closing options—Dec., 96; May, 101½. Oats easy, ½c. to 1c. down. Closing options—Dec., 46½; May, 50. Flaxseed weak, 5½c. to 7c. cheaper. Closing options—Dec., 221; May, 228½.

Wheat receipts (carlots)	To-day.	Prev. day.
No. 1 Northern	288	464
No. 2 Northern	356	476
No. 3 Northern	194	177
No. 4 Northern	46	37
Other grades	715	776
Total	1,599	1,930

NEW YORK COTTON.

COTTON opened steady, 1 point to 7 points higher, and closed very steady, 7 points dearer to 3 points lower. Spot quiet at 5 points rise. New Orleans spot unchanged.

Spot middling upland at New York—19.40.

Spot middling upland at New Orleans—18.77.

Receipts—Atlantic ports, 11,000 bales; Gulf, 23,000; Pacific, nil; interior towns, 22,000. Exports—Great Britain, 1,000 bales; Continent, 1,000; Japan, nil.

CHICAGO MARKETS.

CHICAGO, Friday.

WHEAT opened easy, ½c. to 1⅛c. lower. Except for a period of temporary strength occasioned by rallies in Liverpool and Buenos Aires, the market displayed heaviness, due to indications that the Canadian crop has been under-estimated and also owing to the failure of Europe to express alarm over the light stocks and small world's shipments. The closing was easy at 2⅜c. to 1½c. decline. Spot easy.

	To-day.	Prev. day.
No. 2 Hard Winter spot	175¼	177½
No. 3 Hard Winter spot	—	—

Futures—Opening options—	Dec.	May	July
To-day	173¼	166½	145⅛
Prev. day	174¾	169¾	147⅛
Futures—Closing options—	Dec.	May	July
To-day	172	166	145
Prev. day	173¾	168⅜	146½

	To-day.	Same day last year	This season	Last season
Receipts (W.)	961	699	240,548	391,284

(In thousands of bushels.)

MAIZE opened easy, ⅛c. to ½c. down, and closed easy, ⅛c. to ½c. lower.

	To-day.	Prev. day.
Spot No. 2 mixed	—	—

Futures—Opening options—	Dec.	May	July
To-day	75⅛	82¼	84⅛
Prev. day	77½	84⅛	86⅝
Futures—Closing options—	Dec.	May.	July.
To-day	75	81⅞	83¾
Prev. day	75⅞	82⅜	84¼

	To-day.	Same day last year.	This season.	Last season.
Receipts (W.)	1,399	1,210	92,569	114,215

(In thousands of bushels.)

OATS easy, ⅜c. to ⅝c. lower.

Futures—Closing options—	Dec.	May.	July
To-day	40⅜	44⅝	44⅞
Prev. day	40¾	45⅛	45¼

RYE easy, ⅜c. to 2¼c. cheaper. No. 2 spot, 101⅞.

Futures—Closing options—	Dec.	May	July
To-day	97	104¾	102⅞
Prev. day	—	106⅛	105

PROVISIONS—Lard opened steady, and prices showed improvement for a while owing to a rise in hog quotations, light stocks, a fair cash inquiry, and investment buying. A reaction set in, however, in sympathy with grain and on moderate selling by commission houses, but the market closed steady, 15 to 7½ points up, and spot 27½ points higher. Ribs are 10 points up to 5 points down. Lard—Spot, 14.45.

Lard—Closing options	Jan.	Mar.	May
To-day	14.20	14.10	14.12½
Prev. day	14.05	13.97½	14.05
Ribs—Closing options—	Jan.	Mar.	May
To-day	14.35	—	14.20
Prev. day	14.25	—	14.25

BACON steady at 13½ points decline.

Short ribbed sides (60lbs. average), 14.50.

HOGS firmer, 10 to 15 points dearer for light sorts and 10 points higher for heavy. Light hogs, 10.50 to 11.40; heavy, 10.25 to 10.85.

	To-day	Same day last year
Receipts—Western Cities	119,000	153,000
Chicago	35,000	52,000

Receipts of hogs at fifteen principal Western centres, including Chicago, since the 1st November, total 4,333,000, against 6,361,000 same season last year.

MOSUL DECISION.

NEXT MONDAY'S DEBATE.

The following is the text of the motion put down in the names of the Prime Minister and Mr. Amery for Monday next in the House of Commons:—"That this House approves the action taken by the representatives of His Majesty's Government at Geneva, in accepting the award of the Council of the League of Nations on the Iraq boundary."

TURKISH PRESS OPINION.

CONSTANTINOPLE, Friday.

Commenting on the League Council's Mosul decision, the newspapers deplore it as a cruel injustice. That was, however, to be expected from this servile instrument of British Imperialism. They insist that, while the decision makes no change in the situation, it leaves the door open for unpleasant consequences. The *Younus Nady Djumourhiet* says:—The question must be settled between Great Britain and Turkey, and the latter will resolve it in the most striking manner. Meanwhile, we take the opportunity of expressing the profound aversion that the people feel from British Imperialism. Henceforward we are the declared enemies of everything bearing the name English. Our hatred is legitimate and reasoned. What this crime costs Great Britain will be seen later.—(Reuter.)

GENERAL HERTZOG AND CAPE FRANCHISE.

NATIVE VOTERS' PROTEST.

KING WILLIAMSTOWN, Friday.

The convention of native voters, representing the Cape Province, to-day adopted a resolution claiming that the franchise was granted to the aborigines of the Cape as an inalienable right in 1854, and urging that there should be no change in the present form of the franchise which would be prejudicial to them.

The resolution also asked that the convention should be informed whether it were the wish of His Majesty and the Imperial Parliament that the Cape natives should be deprived of their franchise rights.

[NOTE.—General Hertzog, in a speech at Smithfield on November 13 last, giving an outline of his native policy, proposed that the Cape native franchise should be taken away totally in return for other rights.]

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PREACHERS TO-MORROW (SUNDAY):

At 11. a.m.—His Grace the ARCHBISHOP OF DUBLIN.
At 3.30 p.m.—SPECIAL SERMON, in connection with C.I. Home Mission Society, by Rev. A. E. HUGHES, M.A., on "THE ETERNAL CHRIST."

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SUNDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 20th,
CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE
At 7 o'clock.
Service will be largely Musical. A number of Christmas Carols and Hymns will be sung.
Preacher—REV. W. J. OLIVER.

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TO-MORROW'S SERVICES:
11.30 a.m.—Rev. J. A. DUKE, B.A.
7 p.m.—Rev. J. A. DUKE, B.A.
"THE SECOND COMING OF OUR LORD."
CHRISTMAS MUSIC.
CHRISTMAS DAY SERVICE,
8 a.m.

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CLOSING SERVICES
TO-MORROW (SUNDAY),

3.30 p.m.—Subject:
"OFFENDED IN CHRIST."
8.15 p.m.—(Note Change of Hour).
"THE DOOM OF DELAY."

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MONDAY NEXT, 7.30 p.m.
MEETING FOR CONVERTS.

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SUNDAY SERVICES.
11.30 a.m.—FAITH: ITS ORIGIN, DEVELOPMENT, AND RESULTS.
7 p.m.—RONALD KNOX: CONVERT.
Preacher: Rev. T. C. HAMMOND.

MAGDALEN CHURCH.

11.30—"INDICATIONS OF IMMORTALITY."
Rev. J. E. L. C[illegible]TON, B.D.
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METHODIST CHURCH, CHARLESTON ROAD.

SUNDAY SERVICES.
11.30 and 7:
Rev. R. LEE COLE, M.A., B.D.
CHRISTMAS CAROLS AT EVENING SERVICE.

SANDFORD PARISH CHURCH.

11.30—(4) Immortality in the Light of Christianity.
Preacher—Rev. W. N. HARVEY, B.D.
7—Christmas Carols.

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COMING GAIETY THEATRE PANTOMIME.

"HUMPTY DUMPTY."

This year's pantomime at the Gaiety Theatre is "Humpty Dumpty," produced under the direction of Mr. Fred. W. Warden, who has to his credit many successful entertainments of the kind at the South King street house.

The old nursery tale is faithfully preserved in the "book," which is by Mr. T. Royal, and the music is by Mr. L. P. Swanton.

The pantomime is made up of twenty-four scenes, and will be staged in the most up-to-date fashion, with special new scenery and dresses.

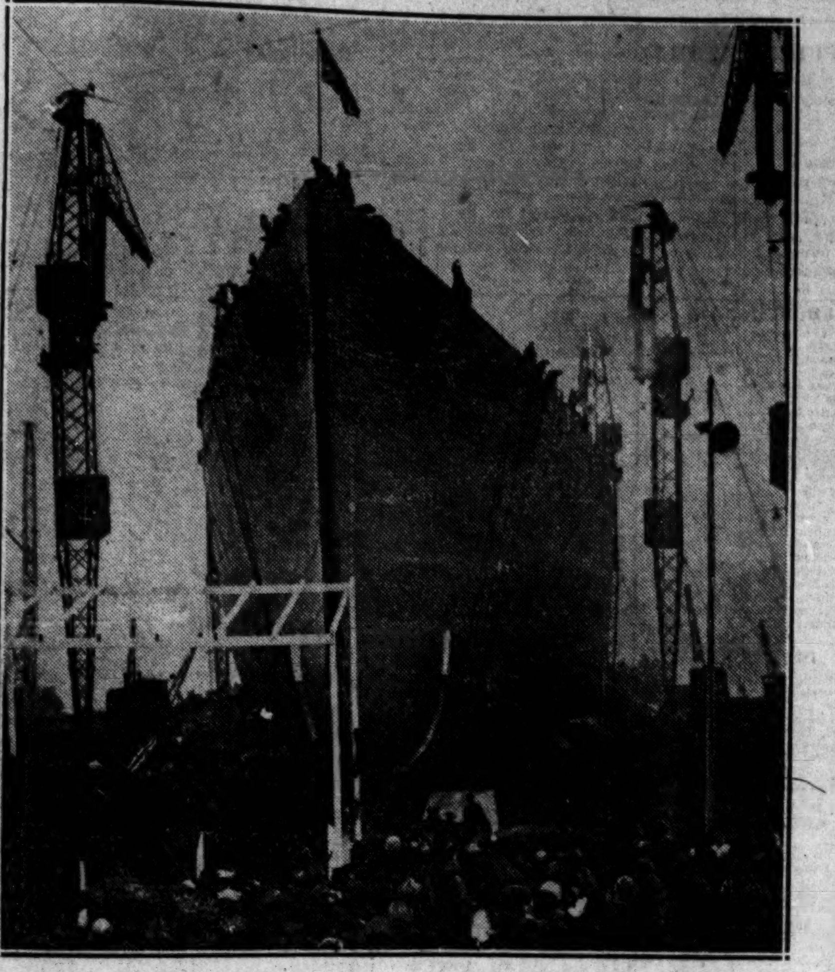
Humpty Dumpty will be portrayed by Charles Goff, a versatile comedian. The principal girl is Miss Babs Faren, a well-known musical comedy artist, and the principal boy Miss Peggy May. George Betton is Martha, the Dame, and Carlton, a popular comedian, is in a very humorous *rôle* as the circus proprietor. In addition to the numerous characters in the cast, there are several special acts. The dancing is to be a strong feature of the show.

The season opens with a matinée on Saturday next at 2 o'clock. The evening performance will start at 7.30.

CARNIVAL WEEK.

The Mayfair-Manhattan dance band, from London, will provide an unusually attractive musical programme for Carnival Week at the Metropole (December 28th to January 2nd).

Dances will be held every evening of the week, with a special Gala Dance on New Year's Eve, under the direction of Madame Olga Warner and Mr. Marc Anderton. The popular Adelaide Melody Band will also play during the week.



The new Battleship, Rodney, going down the slips at Messrs. Cammell Laird's Yard, Birkenhead. Princess Mary, accompanied by Lord Lascelles and Lord Derby, took part in the launching ceremony.

Some of the Armoured Patrol Cars used by the "A" Special Constables.

Lieutenant-General Sir Francis Lloyd, who is seriously ill.

The Combined Hockey Teams of Dublin and Aberdeen Universities, who met in the College Park, Dublin, yesterday, the visitors being defeated by 5 goals to 2.

The Archbishop of Dublin addressing the boys at the Prize Day at St. Andrew's College, Dublin.

THE WEEK IN BELFAST.

FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

Truly it has been a great week. It is said that history repeats itself, but can the history of any nation show a parallel to the recent action of the "A" Specials? They are anxious that the public shall not suffer, and so are paying themselves for the petrol that they are using—as a prelude to relieving the public of a hard-earned three quarters of a million! They have instituted a reign of temperance, but otherwise are having the time of their lives. A peculiar feature of the whole proceedings is that the Belfast Press, almost without exception, have taken no editorial notice of it. The public attitude seems to be either one of condemnation of the "Specials" or of amused impartiality. I am assured that the Government intends to stand fast under all circumstances. This, if true, is excellent news, but some explanation is surely needed of the lackadaisical attitude which has been adopted towards the whole outbreak.

In the meanwhile we have been deep in motors and roads. Ulster, like most parts of Great Britain, is covered by a veritable network of motor 'bus traffic. In addition, there has always been a very considerable amount of heavy goods collected and distributed by road. The result is, naturally, that the surface is giving in—in many cases faster than it can be repaired. To pay for this the tax on heavy vehicles has been incrased, and in consequence all the motor trade is complaining loud and long. Some have even adopted heavy satire—surely an Ulsterman's last weapon. One prominent motor trader suggests that in the interests of the roads all motor traffic should be abolished! All kinds of allegations are being made that the attitude of certain members of Parliament has been determined by the number of railway shares that they hold. Two speakers in Parliament seemed to be representing the views of their constituents. Senator J. C. Glendinning—a Derry man—held that the most equitable tax was a tax on petrol; but Mr. Pollock intimated that the Government have no power to impose one. Mr. George Henderson, of County Antrim, suggested that vehicles used for purely agricultural purposes should be let off with half the usual tax. The Government was, however, in no mood to accept Opposition amendments. Altogether, while one admits the fact that the Government has done something to deal with a very pressing problem, one is not convinced that the course adopted was the best. One possibility would seem to be to bar solid tyres from the roads until special accommodation could be made for them, as the damage they do is out of all proportion.

A suggestion has been made which will do away with, or, at any rate, change vitally, one of the oldest features of Belfast—Smithfield Market. While it has changed greatly of recent years—within living memory it was hardly safe to go through it after nightfall—it still retains something of its ancient character, and bargains are still to be picked up. The suggestion is that the site should be sold to the Post Office authorities, who are looking for some such place in order to instal automatic telephones. It is presumed, of course, that, were such a sale made, the present occupiers would be able to retain their present stalls on the ground floor.

Few people who discussed the narrowly avoided coal strike last August thought that it would have any immediate application in this country, and it came, therefore, as a general surprise to find that the mine at Coalisland is to benefit to the extent of £8,000. It would, one presumes, be hardly human to expect the directors to refuse it; but conditions are very different over here, and one understands that a subvention is at the moment quite unnecessary.

THE DAIL IRISH CUP.

Yesterday the Dail Cup for the best Irish-speaking school (girls') in Leinster was presented by Mr. George Nicholls, of the Free State Department of Education, to the pupils of St. Brigid's School, Pembroke road, Dublin. The cup, having been won by St. Brigid's for the third successive year, now belongs to the school.

Niamh Nic Ghearailt, head of the school, read a Gaelic address of thanks. The pupils of the Senior school gave a performance of "*Breith Iosa*," Dr. Douglas Hyde's Nativity play, which they are to perform at the Abbey Theatre in Christmas week, and the school choir sang Gaelic choruses.

M. Chicherin has arrived in Berlin from Paris en route for Moscow.

A PRECEDENT FOR IRELAND.

HOW GERMANY WAS UNITED.

The study of precedents is a most helpful factor in the solution of political problems. Learning from the mistakes of his predecessors and benefiting by the knowledge of how they achieved their successes, the statesman of to-day is enabled to attack his own difficulties with increased prospects of bringing them to a happy conclusion. Fortunately, there is a striking analogy between the divided Ireland of to-day and the Germany of a century ago, the consideration of which may lead us to a settlement of partition, the most vexed question of our political existence.

One hundred years ago the German Empire was composed of a vast cluster of petty Statelets, each of which maintained a separate national existence and economic independence. Many of these Statelets were not larger than a good-sized Irish estate, and consequently their frontiers lay close together. Customs barriers were erected everywhere, and the smallest parcel of goods could not be despatched, even a short distance, without being subjected to numerous examinations and to the imposition of heavy dues.

TAKING THE INITIATIVE.

Every State had a distinct coinage and monetary system, which rendered the calculation of the dues an arithmetical problem of considerable difficulty. Trade and commerce were retarded, and the exchange of many commodities became well-nigh impossible, and certainly uneconomic, for the accumulated duties often exceeded the selling price of the article at its destination.

To abolish this commercial chaos was the task undertaken by Prussia, the largest and most powerful of the German States. A law promulgated in 1818 abolished all the old commercial restrictions in that State, and absolute free trade was permitted. This step would have been futile as a settlement of Germany's economic anarchy without the co-operation of the other States, a co-operation which was only obtained after incessant negotiation.

THE ZOLLVEREIN.

Ultimately, however, success attended the efforts of Prussia, and the *Zollverein* was established. This Customs-union, as the German word means, embraced almost all the German States by the year 1826, and included a population of some twenty-seven millions. The economic unification of Germany was achieved, and the component States of the *Zollverein* worked in harmony.

The effect of the agreement was that, instead of the multiplicity of duties in as many coinages formerly imposed on articles crossing the frontiers, a single charge was made at the boundary of the *Zollverein*, the payment of which entitled the goods to be sent to any part of Germany without let or hindrance.

All the dues collected were sent to a central Treasury and divided periodically between the different Governments. The basis of division was formed by the amount of the population of each territory, in proportion to its revenue, with various adjustments to effect local circumstances.

FEDERAL UNION.

German industry and commerce began to prosper after the establishment of the *Zollverein*, as can be gauged by the fact that in ten years the amount of dues collected was trebled. In one year, 1843, the duties paid into the common Treasury amounted to over twenty-three million thalers, or three-and-a-half million pounds sterling.

The political unification of the German States can be traced ultimately to the *Zollverein*. The beneficial effects of economic co-operation paved the way for the greater union, which became the mighty Germany of 1870 and the world-challenging Empire of 1914. Even to-day economic Germany is emerging triumphant from the mire. A determined industrious nation is insuppressible as this resurrection demonstrates.

OUR OWN PROBLEM.

The lesson for Ireland to-day is obvious. Faced with a problem less difficult than Germany had to solve, we have also the advantage of her experience to guide us. Instead of a vast number of petty States, with feelings of ill-will towards each other, we have two States, in which the spirit of mutual tolerance and accommodation predominates. Both States use the same currency, and conditions are very much alike in both Saorstát Eireann and Northern Ireland.

One of the greatest inconveniences of partition is admittedly the Customs barriers which have been erected on the boundary between the two parts of Ireland. To abolish this nuisance on some such lines as those followed by Prussia just a century ago would appear to be a proper subject for consultation between the two Governments.

If it is found impracticable or unjust to establish free trade over the border, an Irish *Zollverein* might provide a solution equitable to all concerned. A single duty payable at the port of entry on all goods entering Ireland would mean the abolition of the Customs machinery on both sides of the border, and the economies effected by this step would more than offset any monetary loss to either Government which would necessarily follow the essential inaccuracy of any basis of division of the duties.

At any rate the attempt can be made to reach a solution of the Customs question. The inconvenience to travellers, the hindrance to trade, and the general dissatisfaction which follow the imposition of Customs scrutinies on the border are worth overcoming. Perhaps, as 1826 saw the economic union of Germany, 1926 will see the two parts of Ireland co-operating for their mutual welfare.

H. J. MUNDOW, B.Comm.

LORD LONDONDERRY'S COLLIERY.

PROGRESS OF WORK AT SEAHAM HARBOUR.

A large amount of work has been carried out on Lord Londonderry's new colliery at Seaham Harbour since Viscount Castlereagh cut the first sod two years ago, and the undertaking has now reached a very interesting stage.

Lord Londonderry towards the end of last year announced that the colliery would cost nearly a million pounds, and that, even if all went well, he would not see any return for the expenditure for five years. If the sinking was the success which was anticipated the colliery, he hoped, would add nearly a million tons to the annual coal production of the country, and provide employment for some 5,000 men or more for, probably, 100 years to come.

There are two shafts, a downcast and an upcast, known as the Vane and Tempest shafts, and the boring at the Tempest shaft was completed in July last. A trial borehole proved that the water level was 81 feet from the surface, and that this level varied three feet with the tide. The boreholes at the Tempest shaft, numbering 34, have all been coupled up with the freezing pipes, and freezing commenced on September 18.

It is expected that the ground, as far as this shaft is concerned, will be completely frozen by the end of this year, so that sinking operations may be commenced at an early date.

NEW SCOTTISH JUDGES.

The King has been pleased to accept resignations by the Hon. Lord Cullen and the Hon. Lord Skerrington of the office of Senator of His Majesty's College of Justice in Scotland, both resignations to take effect as from December 31, 1925.

The King has been pleased, on the recommendation of the Secretary for Scotland, to approve the following appointments:—Mr. David Pinkerton Fleming, M.C., K.C., M.P., Solicitor-General for Scotland, to be one of the Senators of His Majesty's College of Justice in Scotland, in place of the Hon. Lord Cullen; Mr. Alexander Moncrieff, M.C., to be one of the Senators of His Majesty's College of Justice in Scotland, in place of the Hon. Lord Skerrington.

Mr. Fleming's appointment will necessitate a by-election in Dumbartonshire, for which he was returned at the last general election, the figures being:—Fleming (Conservative), 16,223; Martin (Labour), 12,872.

CARDS AND CALENDARS.

The "Alpha" Christmas cards, painting books and calendars offer this year a remarkable range of variety. Art pictures by the dozen; humorous cards, plentifully adorned with black cats; cards with comical figures, whose eyes roll about as the card is moved; delicately printed reproductions of classic themes: these offer so rich a variety of choice that whoever buys a card or calendar with the "Alpha" imprint can be sure that he is not going to send his friend one that the friend has seen before. The cheapness of the "Alpha" goods is not their least merit.

This year's "Raphael Tuck" varieties excel in ingenuity and daintiness, while being, perhaps, somewhat less elaborate than in former years. The "royal" cards, of course, are certain to be great favourites, and everyone will be glad to receive one or more of the series. The calendars range from beautiful photographic reproductions of statues, like a famous Jeanne d'Arc to pretty "stand-up" children's figures and amusing animal subjects which will delight the nursery. The black cat sitting on a silver moon is one of the most ingenious calendar designs we have seen. The Tuck painting books are charming, with gaiety of colour and juvenile appeal of theme.

THIS IS THE PARTY SEASON, and no homes can be more festive than those lighted by Royal "Ediswan" *Fullolite* Lamps. The opal glass bulbs give a joyous diffused light, entirely eliminating risk of eye-strain through glare.—(Advt.)

PRICES OF COMMODITIES.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—No sufficient reply has ever been given to the question: why—apart entirely from the rise in prices caused recently by the Free State protection tariffs—prices in Ireland since 1918 have exceeded those in Great Britain by ten, fifteen or twenty *per cent.* The general average figure in Ireland should, *prima facie*, be less. Here multitudes of foodstuffs are produced for our own consumption and for export to Great Britain; and in regard to bread, though wheat is now not much grown in Ireland, our ports are open to the flour vendors of the world.

Home and foreign fruits are all too highly priced, particularly in Dublin, even as compared with Cork or Belfast, where there are very many fruit shops with more reasonable prices. Agricultural and horticultural producers are sometimes paid so little, that they find that it is not worth while disposing of their goods at the net price obtained. Carriage, market dues, storage dues, commissions to auctioneers, factors, and other middlemen, and fees, here and there required, eat up the profit: or if the grower gets a moderately satisfactory price, the goods when offered to the consumer have, by the same process, been raised (as, say, in the case of vegetables), perhaps by 700 *per cent.* Eightpence or ninepence for a cauliflower, the farmer being paid, perhaps, one penny! What is true of small things, is, to a less extent, true in regard to greater.

There is too little direct trading. In other countries where this is to a considerable degree carried on, there is much benefit to growers and to the public. In the South of England, small farmers, and even cottagers in the small towns, bring their little hampers and boxes and cartloads to stands on the streets; and their modest stores of apples, small fruit, butter, cheese, buttermilk, and scores of other things pass to the purchasing housewife direct. Watford, a few miles from London, has a most successful street market, and those who have seen the busy small market produce street dealings in Berne, Lausanne, Lucerne, Vevey and Lugano have appreciated their usefulness.

When contractors tender for a continuous supply to large institutions, such as asylums, hospitals, jails, we note from time to time that the successful tender in Ireland for, say, fresh milk, is at ninepence or tenpence a gallon, even within the last six years. Why cannot the wives and children of our cities get the same milk at a price not exceeding one shilling a gallon, and potatoes at fivepence a stone?

The cost of transport is, of course, an important factor in the price, but lately it has been shown that, by carriage, the cost has not been raised more than by 3 *per cent.* of the total, in respect of certain commodities. The price, however, mounts quickly, as the goods pass. The overcharging retailer of one kind of goods pays the prices of the overcharger of another kind, feeling in his conscience bound to keep up his own, to enable him so to do. They are, among themselves, in a vicious circle; but the 60 *per cent.*, or more of the population—those who are neither merchants nor traders nor shopowners—are hit hard by the others, and have no redress.

It may be said there are "vested interests." That is to say, a certain proportion of the population makes its livelihood by passing on goods from hand to hand, and taking for themselves a recognised percentage in the passing, but in no sense performing any beneficial work upon the goods; no cutting or polishing of diamonds, no milling of wheat, no threshing of corn. If commodities were cheaper, the demand, the turnover, and the gross profits would rise rapidly; increased savings would permit of the employment of a greater number of helpers, who in turn would, at that stage, have been enabled, by cheapness of food, to accept more moderate wages, and the £1 would rise rapidly from its present 12 shilling value. If the retailer were then willing to accept a smaller personal profit, the moderation of the final price demanded, would accelerate the process. The French forester finds, no doubt, what might be called "vested interests" when he discovers ivy, misteltoe, and other flourishing creepers fastened on and choking his trees. The fact is that, in our foodstuffs traffic particularly, and to some extent in wearables, the article is called on to support too many people; and the time seems approaching when the producer cannot make the product "pay," and the consumer cannot pay the price demanded by the retailer.

Meat has dropped in cost, perhaps, 25 or 30 *per cent.* since the Great War. Cattle have dropped 75 *per cent.* Fish in this island should be one of the cheapest and most plentiful foods for the people; but fish shops are few, and all sorts of fish extremely dear. The Commission on Prices of two years ago obtained many important facts, but the pinch of prices is still widely felt by the community.—Yours, etc.,

W. HERBERT BROWN.

Dublin, December 18th, 1925.

CHRISTMAS CAKE EXHIBITS.

There was an exhibition of Christmas cakes at the Rathmines Technical School yesterday. The cakes were the work of the pupils in the School of Domestic Economy belonging to the third, fourth and fifth year classes. There were 120 exhibits, mostly of a very elaborate character, one cake being a very realistic representation of a hedgehog.

The Domestic Economy School at present has 449 students, and there are also junior and advanced classes for training girls for domestic service.

MISSIONARY CHRISTMAS MARKET.

The Church of England Zenana Missionary Society held a "Christmas Market" yesterday at 11 Hume street, Dublin, the opening ceremony being performed by the Rev. Richard Bird, St. Kevin's Church. The principal stallholders were—Mrs. Orpen (luncheons and teas), Mrs. Jameson (country produce), Mrs. Johnston and Miss Hall (household goods), Miss White (Christmas gifts), Miss Eccles (White Elephant Stall), and Miss Draper (Cake Stall).

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FINANCIAL NEWS AND NOTES

TONE AND COMMENT.

DUBLIN INACTIVE.

"CASHEL" GUARANTEED STRONG.

The coming holiday influences were still more apparent on 'Change yesterday, as business was circumscribed in practically all directions, with give-and-take price fluctuations where buying or selling orders preponderated. Government National Loan and British Government securities were all well held. Banks were buyers for choice in an idle market. Nationals were better, and Bank of Ireland Stock steady. Breweries and Distilleries were practically neglected at the earlier market, but sellers were about, and Guinness Ord. fell back at the close. British and Irish Steam Pref. and Marconi Shares marked time. The feature in Rails, which were idle, was the sharp rise in Great Southern Guaranteed Stock, while the Pref. and Deb. Stocks were buyers at last prices. Dublin Tram issues varied a little, with the D.S.D.T. 4 p.c. Debs. several points higher and the Pref. marked easier for a broken lot. Dunlop Rubbers were well supported, and nearly recovered from the previous day's dulness. Bakery and Drapery Shares were neglected. Manufacturing Shares show some minor irregular fluctuations, with Courtaulds and Cottons lower, and Fine Spinners in good demand. Rubber Plantation Shares were absorbed, if offered, the "shake out," as expected, having done the market good.

LONDON FIRM.

GILT-EDGED SECURITIES STRONG.

Although the volume of business showed no great expansion, the general tone of the London Stock markets yesterday was cheerful. Gilt-edged securities, after a period of prolonged dulness, took a sharp turn for the better, and closing prices revealed substantial recoveries in several cases. Rubbers also opened firmer, and with the quotation for the raw material higher, shares displayed a firmer tendency and prices were lifted considerably. Among Foreign Government Stocks French Fives rallied as a result of a further recovery in the exchange rate, the closing level being ½ higher at 14. The firmer tone evident in the Home Rail market on Thursday developed increased strength, and the majority of the leading issues were quoted higher. The Colonial and Foreign Rail market was also good.

GERMAN CURRENCY AND CREDIT.

The "Review" of the Midland Bank deals this month with German currency and credit. The writer points out that the most acute problem of the moment is the smallness of the supply of credit. Since the re-establishment of stable monetary conditions there has been a more normal provision, but the amount available is totally inadequate to meet trade requirements, and in consequence the business of the country is prevented from going ahead, and there is marked industrial depression and growing unemployment. The remedy is to be found only in loans obtained from abroad. Large sums have already been borrowed, but mostly for short terms. What is wanted is money that will be loaned for a long period. The "Review" does not stress this point, but it is the crux of the situation. Given the proper assistance from abroad, Germany will once more prosper and be able to liquidate her international indebtedness. But, as the "Review" points out, "she will be a debtor long after borrowing has stopped; consequently it will be many years before she can regain her position as a creditor on capital account."

BELGIAN LOAN.

The New York portion of the Belgian International Loan is expected to be issued by Messrs. J. P. Morgan and Co., on Monday or Tuesday next. Its terms are not known, but judging from the present quotation of the Belgian 6 per cent. Loan, the yield of the new issue is expected to be slightly above 7 per cent. We understand that the flotation of the New York portion does not interfere with the decision taken regarding the issue of the London quota, which has been postponed till next spring, in anticipation of a decline of the bank rate.

DIVIDENDS AND REPORTS.

BRANDON'S PUTNEY BREWERY.—Dividend of 26 2-3 per cent., compared with 25 per cent.

BOULTON AND PAUL.—A year's dividend on Preference, leaving £23,199 to be carried forward.

BARGANG TEA.—Interim dividend of 7½ per cent., less tax.

C. A. VANDERVELL.—In their report for the two years ended March 31 last the directors state that trading indicates that an early and drastic reorganisation is imperative. For the year ended March 31, 1924, the trading loss was £130,624, but for the year ended March 31, 1925, there was a profit of £20,316. The debit to profit and loss account shown by the balance sheet, therefore, stands at £392,434. The directors have been requested to send a formal offer to each shareholder by Messrs. Thomson M'Clintock and Co., of 71 Queen street, London, E.C.2, chartered accountants, for the purchase of the whole of the Pref. Ordinary Shares and Def. Ordinary Shares at the price of 12/6 per Pref. Ordinary Share and 2/6 per Def. Ordinary Share. The directors unanimously recommend its acceptance, and have personally agreed to sell their own holdings on the terms of the offer.

CAWNPORE ELECTRIC SUPPLY.—Dividend on 7 per cent. Pref. for half-year to December 31, 1925.

D. WATNEY AND SON.—Dividend of 15 per cent., tax free.

EMERALD RUBBER.—Interim dividends have been declared on £167,224 of share capital as at February 1, 1925, of 15 per cent. actual, and on £20,903 of share capital comprised in recent issue —3¾ per cent. actual. (In September last an interim dividend of 10 per cent. actual was declared Total distribution for 1924-1925 was 10 per cent.)

HOLYROOD RUBBER.—Interim dividend of 15 per cent. actual, less tax. (7½ per cent. paid in 1924.)

INTERNATIONAL NICKEL.—Quarterly distribution of 0.50 dols. on Common Stock.

J. F. AND H. ROBERTS.—Final dividend of 3½ per cent. and bonus of 2½ per cent., both less tax, making 10 per cent. for year; £12,000 allocated, £26,216 forward.

LOCHGELLY IRON.—In view of the uncertainty of the outlook in the coal trade, the Board of the Lochgelly Iron and Coal Company has decided to postpone consideration of the dividend on the Ord. Shares until the end of the financial year. A year ago an interim dividend of 5 per cent. was paid on the Ord. Shares.

LANGEN (JAVA) RUBBER.—Final dividend of 12½ per cent.

LUMUT RUBBER.—Final dividend of 30 per cent.

PEEL RIVER LAND.—Final dividend of 5 per cent. and bonus of 2½ per cent., both free of tax, making a total dividend of 10 per cent. and bonus of 2½ per cent. for year.

ROLLS ROYCE.—The directors will shortly issue their annual report, which will show that the profits for the year ended October 31 last amounted to £165,000. Dividend of 8 per cent. in respect of the past year. A dividend of 8 per cent. has been paid for several years. For 1923-24 the net profits amounted to £163,673, as compared with £156,708 for the previous twelve months.

SHAWINIGAN WATER AND POWER.—Dividend of 2 dols. per share on Common for quarter.

SAPONG RUBBER AND TOBACCO.—Second interim dividend of 10 per cent. actual.

TANAH DATAR RUBBER.—Interim dividend of 15 per cent. actual, less tax. (Total of 8 per cent. in 1924.)

TAMPLIN AND SON'S BREWERY.—Dividend of 1/- per share, less tax, at 4/- on Ordinary.

TINGRI TEA.—Interim dividend of 7½ per cent., less tax.

UNITED WIRE WORKS.—Dividend of 7½ per cent., tax free. (Last year dividend same.)

OIL OUTPUT.

Mexican Eagle Oil Co.—Production for week ended 12th December 167,000 barrels.

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LONDON MOVEMENTS.

The firm tone manifest in gilt-edged securities on Thursday was again in evidence, and with supplies of stock small, prices moved up smartly in several directions. Consols went forward to 55, or ⅛ above the overnight level, while War Loan Fives at 100⅜ were a further ⅛ to the good. Victory Bonds were ¼ higher, and 3½ p.c. Conversion Loan finished ½ to the good at 75¼. Among Indias the 3 p.c. at 52½ and the 3½ p.c. at 66½ were both ½ firmer, while Local Loans moved forward to 63½, or ½ better.

A slightly irregular tone prevailed in the Foreign Government Stock market. French Fives were a firm spot on the improvement in the franc, and the closing rate of 14 showed an increase of ½ on the day's business. Brazil 4 p.c., 1889, at 51, were a point to the good. Peruvian Pref. continued to droop, and the final figure showed a further decline of ½ to 36½. Turkish 4 p.c. Unified at 14½ were ¼ easier, and among the Chinese the 4½ p.c. 1898 at 72 and the 5 p.c. 1912 at 58 were both a point lower.

RAILS HIGHER.

A firm tone ruled in Home Rails, and the majority of the leading issues were again higher. Great Westerns jumped to 86½, or 1½ higher, while Midlands at 74½ and North-Eastern 5 p.c. Pref. Ord. at 55½ were also both 1½ points to the good. North-Eastern Def. Ord. spurted to 20¾, or a point firmer, and Southern Pref. Ord. gained a point to 74½, while the Def. Ord. at 43½ and the A Shares at 40½ were both ½ higher.

Among Colonial and Foreign Rails, Argentines continued to improve. Buenos Ayres Pacific at 85 and Western at 80 were both a point to the good, while Centrals at 74½ were ½ better. Cordoba Central 1st Pref. at 76½ were also ½ to the good, while the 2nd Pref. gained a similar amount to 49½. San Paulo moved up to 168, or a point higher, and Entre Rios 6 p.c. Cum. Pref. at 82½ were ½ up. Antofagasta Ord. jumped forward to 91, or 2 points above the previous close. Canadian Pacifics and Grand Trunks were steady to firm, while Mexicans were also content to repeat former levels.

RUBBER SHARES RECOVERING.

Brighter conditions prevailed in the Rubber share market yesterday, and, although the actual volume of business remained on a small scale, prices were marked higher practically throughout the market. There was still a certain amount of liquidation, however, and dealings were rather erratic in places. Price movements were numerous, and, with the exception of a couple or so small declines, they were all in the upward direction. Many of the heavy losses of the previous day were entirely discounted, while in certain cases the improvement of the day more than covered the previous day's declines. The commodity market also commenced on a firmer scale, but towards the close prices went off again. Spot rubber opened at 4s. 2½d. and went to 4s., while December fetched 4s. 2d. to 4s. per lb. In the share market Batu Tiga at 85s. were 4s. 4½d. better, while B.N.B.R. Trust gained 1s. 4½d. to 21s. 6d. Anglo-Dutch jumped to 61s. 4½d., or 1s. 7½d. higher, and Bah Lias put on 1s. 3d. to 62s. 6d. Buntar gained 2s. 3d., Eastern Trust 2s. 4½d., and Golden Hope 2s. 6d., while Grand Central closed with an advance of 3s. 1½d. to 55s. Glenshiel put on 1s. 4½d., and General Ceylon and Highlands were both 1s. 3d. firmer. Kapar Para spurted to 84s. 4½d., or 4s. 10½d. better, while Kuala Lumpur at 110s. 7½d. and Labu at 69s. 4½d. were 5s. and 4s. 7½d. higher respectively. Ledbury put on 3s. 9d., and Kuala Muda at 53s. 6d. were 3s. up. Malacca at 101s. 3d. registered an increase of 5s., and Manchester N.B. gained a like amount to 52s. 6d. Linggi rose to 63s. 7½d., or 2s. 7½d. better, and Malayalam closed 2s. 4½d. up at 53s. 4½d. Membakut gained 3s. 3d., Mendaris 2s. 3d., and P.P.K. Ceylon 1s. 10½d., while Pegoh at 81s. 3d. were 2s. 3d. higher. Pilmoor put on 3s. 9d. and Sendayan 3s. 1½d., while Serdang Central and Sapong were 2s. 9d. and 2s. 3d. higher respectively. Rubber Trust jumped 1s. 1½d. to 50s. 4½d., and Sialang at 87s. 3d. were 5s. 3d. better. Sumatra Cons. rose to 64s. 4½d., or 4s. 4½d. higher, and Tandjong Malim closed with an advance of 6s. 1½d. to 48s. 7½d. Tandjong put on 3s. 6d., Tali Ayer 2s. 6d., and Tamiang 1s. 10½d., while Vallambrosa at 26s. 4½d. were 1s. 1½d. better. Telogoredjo went forward smartly to 106s. 10½d. x d., or 6s. 10½d. better, while United Sua Betong at 137s. 3d. were 6s. higher. Bukit Kajang at 90s. were 3s. 9d. to the good, and F.M.S. Planters at 84s. 3d. were 1s. 9d. firmer. Sungei Buaya went forward to 75s., or 4s. 3d. up, and Sedenak at 70s. 1½d. were 2s. 1½d. higher. Lendu, on the other hand, went off sharply to 59s. 4½d., or 5s. lower, while Hong Kong Selangor at 83s. 9d. were 1s. 3d. lower.

OIL SHARES IRREGULAR.

Except in a few specialities, business in Oil Shares yesterday was on only a moderate scale, and the market developed an irregular tendency. The demand on Paris account, which has been a feature of recent dealings, dried up, and sales of the leaders were encountered on Amsterdam account. It was reserved to Venezuelans to provide the market with its most active features. Keen interest continued to be displayed in the shares of the Lago Petroleum Corporation, of which further buying was in progress, both locally and on account of American interests. A strong start was made at 47s., and although the price weakened on a little profit-taking to 46s. 6d., fresh support was received, and a rally occurred to 47s. 9d., while the final price of 47s. 3d. left them 1s. 3d. up on the day. Among other Venezuelans, V.O.C. Holdings came into keen request in the afternoon and advanced to 2⁵⁄₁₆, at which a gain of ³⁄₁₆ was recorded. Rather more interest was displayed in British Controlled, favourable anticipations being entertained with regard to the report for the year to July 31st last, which, it is understood, will be available shortly. The Common Shares advanced at one time to 17s. 9d., but receded in the late dealings to the overnight's level of 17s. 4½d. As a result of the day's business the recognised leaders closed with an irregular appearance.

TEA SHARES RISING.

A firm tone again ruled in the Tea share market, while the volume of business put through yesterday was, if anything, on a slightly larger scale. The vast majority of alterations were in the upward direction. Associated Estates of Ceylon went forward to 67s. 3d., or 1s. 7½d. better, and British Indian at 75s. 7½d. were 5s. 7½d. above the overnight quotation. Doolooogram went forward to 42s. 6d., or 1s. 7½d. higher. Eastern Assam and Jetinga Valley were exceptionally firm spots, improvements of 5s. being registered in both issues. New Sylhet gained a further 2s. 4½d. to 84s. 10½d. Lungla put on 1s. 3d., and Singlo finished 2s. 3d. higher. Travancore at 98s. 9d. were 2s. 6d. better, and Upper Assam and Tea Share Trust were 1s. 6d. and 1s. higher respectively. Consolidated Tea and Lands, on the other hand, reacted to 31 x d., or ¹⁄₁₆ lower, while Ceylon Plant lost ¹⁄₁₆ to 6¹¹⁄₁₆.

INDUSTRIALS QUIETLY STEADY.

Industrials finished the week quietly steady yesterday, being devoid of special feature. The Steel, Coal, and Iron group was firmer; and Armstrong, Bolckow, Swan Hunters, Stewarts, Vickers, Baldwins, Dormans, Guests, and South Durhams were all the turn better. On the x.d. basis of 13s. 6d., Harland and Wolff Prefs. enjoyed more activity. Rather more attention was paid to Land Shares. Duffs put on 6d. to 32s. 6d.; some good parcels changed hands up to 33s. 9d. Bays rallied ¹⁄₁₆ to 4⅛ x.d., but Millars Timber came on offer and fell 6d. to 19s. 6d. Cotton issues continued subdued, with desultory orders either way giving them a ragged appearance. Spinners put on 3d. to 52s. 3d.; Bleachers lost that amount to 79s.; Coats, 63s., and Calicos, 35s. 9d., did not move. Small sales of Courtaulds depressed them ¹⁄₁₆ to 6⅞, after holding fractionally better for the greater part of the day. Further support for Snias helped them forward to 65s., at which they closed quite firm. Dyestuffs were unchanged at 6s. 6d., but a rally occurred in the Pref., where a rise of 6d. left them at 12s. 6d. Dealings commenced in Nuera Art Silk on the basis of ¹⁄₁₆, ¹⁄₁₆ discount, with the Def. starting at par. Apex changed around 5s. discount. Celanese were unaltered at 7s. 9d., but Holdings Ord. eased to 14s. 6d. Investment buying of Dennis Bros. at the lower overnight level of 3¹⁄₁₆ caused a recovery to 3¼, after changing up to 66s.

Save for a gain of 6d. to 33s. in Allied Ord., nothing disturbed the even tenor of the Newspaper department. Among Tobaccos a further fall of 6d. to 114s. left B.A.T.'s a doubtful spot. G. Phillips had moderate trading either side of 4½, and Copes were nominally better at 3⁵⁄₁₆. Dealers in Brewery Stocks found orders awaiting them. Ind, Coope rose ¹⁄₁₆ to 3 x.d. and bonus, and there was a tendency to re-buy Watney, Combe Def., with the result that this stock put on 2 to 269½. Strettons were done up to 38s. ex all., and Walker Cains changed hands at 23s. several times. Guinness, at 745, was on the dull side, small sales being effected at 740. The usual daily average of business in Dunlops left them without alteration at 25s. 9d., option dealing accounting for the bulk of the transactions. No change occurred in Marconi or Wireless Accessories. Insurances were harder where changed. Banks made an irregular showing.

LATEST CLOSING AND STREET PRICES.

CONSOLS, ETC.

Stock	Price	Change
Consols	54¾-55¼	+⅛
War Ln. 3½%	97½-97⅞	
do. 4½%	94½-95½*	
do. 5%	100¼-100½	+⅛
do. 4% (Tax Free)	100-100½	
Fund'g L'n	85-86	
Victory Bds	92½-93¼	+¼
3½% Conv. Ln.	75-75½	+½
4½% Conv. Ln.	95½-95⅞*	
3½ Treas. Bds.	102-102½	
Irish Lnd. 2¾%	56-58*	
India 3%	57-58	+½
do. 3½%	66-67	+½
do. 5½%	100-101*	
do. 7%	104-106	
Local Lns.	63-64	+½
Sudan 5½%	107-109	

COLONIAL GOVERNMENT STOCKS.

Stock	Price
Aust. Com. 5½%	99-101*
do. 6%	103-105
Brit. Col. 4½ '41	92-94
Canada 4%	90-92
do. 4½ 1920-5	99½-100½
Cape 3½ Cons.	76-80*
Ceylon 6%	106-108*
N.S.W. 4½ '22-7	97-99*
do. 5½ 1922-7	99-101*
do. 6½% 1930-40	104-6
N.Zeal'd 4, '29	95-97
Nigeria 6%	111-113*
Q'sland 4, 1940-50	81-83
do. 6% 1930-40	102-104
S. Africa 4% Cns.	86-88
do. 6%	102-104
S.A'stral'n 4, '40-60	81-83*
do. 6½%	104-106
Victoria 4, 40-60	82-85
do. 6½% 1923-5	100-2
W.Aus 5% '35-45	98-100*
do. 6% 1930-40	100-102*

BANKS.

Stock	Price	Change
Anglo S. Amer.	7-7¼	-⅛
Australasia	13¼-13¾	
Bank N.S.W.	40½-41½	
do. N.Z.	2⅝-2⅞*	
Barclays A	7¾-8	
Brit. Overseas	5¼-5⅞*	
Can. of Com.	45-47	
Char. of India	20¾-21¼	-½
Hong Kong	119-122	
Lloyds	53/6-54/6	
Midland	8⅛-8⅜	-⅛
Nat. Dis. B	8⅝-9⅛	
Nat Prov (£4)	11⅝-11⅞	
Royal of Can.	30-32	
Stand. S.A.	11¾-11⅞	
Un. Australia	14⅝-15	
Westminster	18¾-18⅞	

FOREIGN BONDS.

M.U.—Dec. 14.	Stock			Change
101	Argentine, 1886	100	102	
80¼	Do. 4 p.c. Rescissions	80	82	
93½	Do. 5 p.c. 1909	92	94	
49½	Brazil 4 p.c., 1889	50	52	+1
90	Do. Funding, 1908	90	92	
78	Do. 5 p.c., 1914	78	80	
86¼	Chinese 5 p.c., 1896	85	87	
72½	Do. 4½ p.c., 1898	71	73	-1
58½	Do. 5 p.c., 1912	57	59	-1
102¾	Czecho-Slovakia Bonds	101	103	
82	Egyptian Unified	81	83*	
13½	French Loan	13½	14½	+½
10¼	Do. 4 p.c.	9½	10½*	
6/6	German 3 p.c.	6/4½	6/10½	-0/1½
102¼	German 7 p.c.	102	103	
90	Greek Loan	89½	90½	
100¼	Hungarian 7½ p.c. Ster.	100	101	
16	Italian Rentes	15	17	
88	Japan 4 p.c. 1905	87	89	
92¾	Do. 6 p.c., 1924	92½	93½	
44	Mexican 5 p.c., '99	40	50	
46	Do. 6 p.c. 10-Y. Treas.	40	50	
5¼	Peruvian Corporation	4¾	5	
37¼	Do. Pref.	36	37	-½
99½	Do. Deb.	98	100	
30	Portuguese 3 p.c.	29½	31½	
—	Spanish 4 p.c.	63	67	
14¼	Turkish Unified	14	15	-½
64½	Uruguay 3½ p.c.	64	65	

BRITISH RAILS.

M.U.	Stock			Change
85¼	Great Western	86	87	+1½
—	Do. Cons. Pref.	93	95	
73	Ldn. Mid. & Scot. Ord.	74	75	+1½
—	Do. 4 p.c. Pref.	71	73	
—	Do. 4½ p.c. Red. Pref.	98	101	
—	Do. 5 p.c. Red. Pref.	97	99	
—	Do. 4 p.c. Pref., 1923	69	72	
54	Ldn. North-East 5 p.c. Pref. Ord.	55	56	+1½
19¾	Do. Def. Ord.	20½	21	+1
—	Do. 4 p.c. 1st Pref.	65	68	
—	Do. 4 p.c. 2nd Pref.	60	62	
69	Metropolitan	68½	69½	
—	Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	89	92	
47	Do. District	46½	47½	
73¼	Southern Pref. Ord.	74	75	+1
42½	Do. Def. Ord.	43	44	+½
39½	Do. "A"	40	41	+½
7¼	Do. "B"	7	8	
2⅛	Underground Electric	2¼	2⅜	
97½	Do. Income Bonds	97	99	
105	Do. 6 p.c. Debs.	103	105	

COLONIAL AND FOREIGN RAILS.

M.U.	Stock			Change
88	Antofagasta	90	92	+2
—	Argentine G.W. Ord	80½	82½	
—	Bahia Blanca	79	81	-½
—	Brazil Railway Common	⅜	⅝	
87½	Buenos Ayres Gt. S.	89	91	
82	Buenos Ayres and Pacific	84	86	+1
77	Buenos Ayres and W.	79	81	+1
150	Canadian Pacific	150	152	
72	Central Argentine	73½	75½	+½
70	Central Uruguay	69½	71½	
23¼	Cordoba Central	23	25	
73	Do. 1st Pref.	75½	77½	+½
46	Do. 2nd Pref.	48½	50½	+½
44½	Entre Rios	47½	49½	
—	Do. 6 p.c. Pref.	81½	83½	+½
—	Grand Trunk Pac. Deb.	48	51	
—	Grand Trunk 4 p.c. Guar.	76	78*	
—	Do. 4 p.c. Perp. Deb.	77	79*	
35	Leopoldina	35	37	
7¼	Mexican Rails	6½	7½	
23	Do. 8 p.c. Pref.	22	24	
11	Do. 6 p.c. Pref.	10	12	
167	San Paulo Ord.	168	170	+1
100	United Havana	99	101	
—	Uruguay Northern Debs.	10½	12½*	

AMERICAN RAILS.

M.U.	Stock			Change
—	Atchison	133	135	-1
—	Baltimore	95	97	-1
—	Chesapeake	131	133	-1
—	Chicago, Milwaukee	10	11	+½
19	Erie	39	41	
—	Do. 1st Pref.	46	48	
—	New York, Ontario	29	31	-1
119	Southern Common	122	124	+1
—	Do. Pref.	95	97	
—	Southern Pacific	104	106	-1
153	Union Pacific	153	155	-1

BREWERIES AND DISTILLERIES.

M.U.	Stock			Change
19/0	Allsopp £1 Shares	1⅛	1¼	
93	Do. 5 p.c. Pref.	91	95	
—	Bass, Ratcliff 5 p.c. Pref.	85	88	
48/6	Do. Ord.	2⅜	2½	
57/0	Distillers Ord.	57/0	58/0	
735	Guinness	735	755	-5
—	Do. Pref.	117	122	
23/0	Peter Walker Ord.	22/9	23/9	
44/0	South African Breweries	2⅛	2¼	
21/6	Walker (John) Pref.	20/6	21/6	
269	Watney Combe Def.	267	272	+2

FOODSTUFFS AND STORES.

M.U.	Stock			Change
27/3	Aerated Bread	1¼	1⅜*	
47/0	Bovril Def.	46/6	47/6	
7/6	Crosse and Blackwell	3/0	4/0	
14/0	Lipton	⅝	¾	
24/0	Lovell and Christmas	1⅛	1¼	
3¾	Lyons (J.)	3⅝	3⅞	
—	Mackintosh (J.) Pref	22/7½	23/7½	+0/1½
6/4½	Maypole Def	6/1½	6/7½	
—	Smithfield Arg. Meat	⅛	⅜	
2⅛	Spratt's Patent	2⅜	2⅝	
—	Union Cold Storage Pref.	18/6	19/6	
1½	Van Den Berghs	1	1⅛	
—	Do. Pref.	4½	5	

IRON AND STEEL.

M.U.	Stock			Change
10/6	Armstrong (W. G.)	11/0	12/0	+0/6
8/9	Cammell Laird	8/3	9/3	
8/9	Dorman Long	9/9	10/9	+0/3
14/6	John Brown	13/6	14/6	
8/9	Do. (15/- paid)	8/0	9/0	
13/3	Pease and Partners	12/9	13/9	
40/3	South Durham Steel	2⅛	2⅜	+⅛
32/0	Siemens	32/6	33/6	+0/6
5/3	United Steel	5/0	6/0	
8/0	Vickers Ord	7/9	8/9	+0/3

LAND AND INVESTMENT.

M.U.—Dec. 14.	Stock			Change
—	Aboukir Land	1⅛	1⅜	
26/9	Argentine Land Invest.	1⅛	1¼	
24/0	Do. Southern Land	1⅛	1⅜*	
9/6	B.N.B. Land	9/0	10/0	
22/3	Forestal Land	22/0	23/0*	
4½	Hudson's Bay Ord.	4⅛	4⅜*	+⅛
6/9	Pekin Syndicate	6/3	6/9	
24/6	Rio Negro Lands	1⅛	1⅜*	
7⅛	Sudan Plantations	7⅛	7⅜	

NEWSPAPERS.

M.U.	Stock			Change
6⅛	Assd Newspapers Def.	6⅛	6⅜	
32/6	Allied News Ord.	32/6	33/6	+0/6
6⅛	Daily Mirror Ord.	6⅛	6⅜	
3⅛	Sunday Pictorial Ord.	3⅛	3⅜	

NITRATES.

M.U.	Stock		
17¼	Alianza	17	18
6¼	Lautaro Nitrate	6	6½
28/0	Lagunas Nitrate	25/0	27/0
2½	Liverpool Nitrate	2⅛	2¼*
64/0	London Nitrate	62/0	63/0*
26/6	Rosario Nitrate	26/0	27/0
1½	Santa Rita Nitrate	1⅛	1⅝
2½	Santiago Nitrate	2	2½
11/6	Tarapaca Nitrate	11/0	12/0

OILS.

M.U.	Stock			Change
3⅛	Anglo-American	3⅛	3⅝	-⅛
1⅛	Anglo-Ecuadorian	1⅛	1⅜	+⅛
1⅛	Anglo-Egyptian "B"	1⅛	1⅜	
25/6	Anglo-Persian 8 p.c.	25/6	26/0	
26/6	Do. 9 p.c. 2nd Pref.	26/4½	26/10½	
4⅛	Do. Ord., issued 3½ p.c.	4⅛	4⅜	
96	Do. 5 p.c. Deb.	95½	96½	
2½	Apex Trinidad	2¼	2⅝	
1⅛	Attock	1⅛	1⅜	
—	Brit. Borneo Pet. (10/-)	⅜	½	
8/3	British Burmah (8/-)	7/9	8/6	-0/3
17/9	British Controlled	17/9	18/0	+0/1½
18/0	Do. Pref.	17/7½	17/10½	
5¼	Burmah	5⅛	5⅜	+⅛
25/10½	Do. 8 p.c. Pref.	25/9	26/3	
1/9	Caltex	1/7½	1/10½	
5⅛	Eagle Transport	5⅛	5⅜	
102¾	Do. 7 p.c. Notes	102¾	103¼	+¼
103¾	Do. Bearer	103¾	104¼	+¼
14/7½	Kern River (10/-)	14/9	15/3	+0/1½
6⅛	Lobitos	6¼	6⅝	+⅛
19/0	Mexican Eagle	19/1½	19/7½	+0/3
18/0	Do. 8 p.c. Pref.	18/0	18/6	+0/3
14/9	Do. 7 p.c. 1st Pref.	14/7½	15/1½	
5/3	North Caucasian (10/-)	4/6	5/6	
3/0	Oropuche (4/- sh. f.p.)	2/9	3/0	-0/1½
18/10	Phoenix	18/7½	19/1½	-0/1½
34⅝	Royal Dutch	34⅛	34⅝	
4⅜	Shell Transport	4⅛	4⅜	
9½	Do. 5 p.c. Pref. (£10)	9¼	9¾	
25/6	Do. 7 p.c. Pref.	25/1½	25/7½	
2/3	Spies (10/-)	1/10½	2/4½	
12/6	Steaua Romana	11/9	12/3	
8/10½	Tankers Pref.	7/7½	8/1½	
⅛	Trinidad Central	8/3	9/3	
2⅛	Trinidad Lease	2⅛	2⅜	
6/6	United Brit. Trinidad	6/3	6/6	-0/1½
5/3	Ural Caspian	4/6	5/6	
2⅛	V.O.C. Holdings	2⅛	2⅜	+⅛
2⅛	Do. 7 p.c. Pref.	2⅛	2⅜	+⅛

RUBBERS.

M.U.	Stock	Price	Change
4/4½	Amal. Rubber	4/1½	+0/1½
3⅛	Anglo-Dutch	61/4½	+1/7½
9/9	Anglo-Java	9/6	+0/7½
2⅛	Anglo-Malay	44/4½*	+0/6
11/0	Bertam Cons.	10/7½	+0/10½
8/0	Bukit Mertajam	7/4½	+0/1½
5/0	Bukit Sembawang	4/10½	+0/3½
2	Buntar	28/3	+2/3
1⅛	Damansara	22/9	+0/3
2⅛	Grand Central	55/0	+3/1½
3¼	Highlands	66/6	+1/3
35/6	Jugra Land	33/9	+1/6
6/6	Kamuning	6/1	+0/4
11/6	Kepong	11/0	+0/6
6¼	Kuala Lumpur	110/7½	+5/0
56/3	Kuala Muda	53/6	+3/0
3⅛	Labu	69/4½	+4/7½
3⅛	Linggi	63/7½	+2/7½
8/6	London Asiatic	7/7*	+0/1
5¼	Malacca	101/3*	+5/0
53/9	Malayalam	53/4½	+2/4½
7/10½	Merlimau	7/3	+0/3
2⅛	Mooply Valley	54/0	
52/0	Rubber Trust	50/4½	+1/1½
2⅜	Seafield (New)	56/3	+0/9
3¼	Sendayan	63/7½	+3/1½
4½	Sialang	87/3	+5/3
18/9	Straits Rubber	38/0	+0/7½
9/4½	Sumatra Para	8/6	+0/4½
48/9	Tali Ayer	46/10½	+2/6
4⅛	Tandjong	87/3	+3/6
55/-	Tandjong Malim	48/7½	+6/1½
8/9	United Serdang	8/3	+0/1½
7⅛	United Sua Betong	137/3	+6/0
27/-	Vallambrosa	26/4½	+1/1½

Stock	Price	Change
Abaco	39/6	
Allagar	5/1½	+0/6
Allied Sum	25/3	+0/6
Ampat	9/3	+0/7
Anglo-Sum	122/6*	
Bah Lias	62/-	+1/3
Baru (Java)	82/3	+0/7½
Batanz	3/3	+0/3
Bernam Perak	64/4½	
Batu Tiga	85/0	+4/4½
B.N.B.R. Trst	21/6	+1/4½
Broome Sel	47/4½	+0/1½
Bukit Cloh	10/10½	
Bukit Kajang	90/0	+3/9
Bukit Rajah	48/0	+1/0
Castlefield	15/0	+0/6
Ceylon Timber	8/2¼	+0/8¼
Cicely	12/3	+1/3
Dennistown	4/8¼	+0/-¾
Eastern Sum.	5/8¼	+0/1½
Eastern Trust	49/4½	+2/4½
F.M.S. Plant.	84/-	+1/9
Gadjah	12/10½	
Gen. Ceylon	70/7½	+1/3
Glenbervie	7/0	
Glenshiel	33/1½	+1/4½
Golden Hope	64/7½	+2/6
Hongkong Sel.	83/9	-1/3
Insulinde	4/10½	
Java Amal.	38/6	+0/4½
Kapar Para	84/4½	+4/10½
Kasintos	54/6	+1/0
Kepitigalla	4/7½	+0/3
Kombok	7/1	+0/1½
Kuala Sel	9/5	-0/1½
Kwaloe	5/3¾	+0/1½
Langkat Sum	60/7½*	+0/7½
Laras	7/4½	+0/4½
Ledbury	75/0	+3/9
Lendu	59/4½	-5/0
Loendeer	4/0	+0/3
Manch'ter NB	52/6	+5/0
Membakut	42/9	+2/3
Mendaris	46/0	+2/3
N. Hummock	37/6	+0/7½
P.P.K. (C'y'n)	43/1½	+1/10½
Pahi Plts (1/8p)	3/1½	
Pataling	35/4½	
Pegoh	81/3	+2/3
Pilmoor	71/-	+3/9
Port Dickson	7/3	+0/9
Ratanui	38/1½	+0/1½
Rim Malacca	6/1½	+0/1½
Rub. E. Johore	40/3	
Sapong	81/3	+2/3
Sapumalk'de	39/6	
Sedenak	70/1½	+2/1½
Sekong	26/-	+0/3
Selangor	8/4½	+0/7½
Sepang Sel.	36/10½	
Serdang C'nt'l	50/7½	+2/9
Sing United	4/3	+0/3
Singapore Para	3/11½	+0/1½
Soember Ajoe	4/6	+0/4
Sumatra Con.	64/4½	+4/4½
Sungei Buaya	75/0	+4/3
Sungei Choh	35/6	-0/6
Sungei Kapar	1/1½	
Sungei Kr. Pf.	77/6	
Taiping	4/0	+0/0¾
Tamiang	65/7½	+1/1½
Tebrau	79/4½	+3/0
Telogoredjo	116/10*	+6/10½
Tempeh	4/0	
Toorangie	66/9	-0/9
Un. Tamiang	6/4½	+0/0½
Waverley	4/5½	
Yam Seng	6/9	+0/4½

SHIPPING.

M.U.	Stock			Change
10/6	Cargo Fleet	9/9	10/9	+0/3
—	Court Line	25/6	26/6	
—	Cunard Ord.	16/6	17/6	
18/3	Elder Dempster 6 p.c. Pf.	17/6	18/6*	
—	Furness Withy	28/0	29/0	
—	P. and O. Def.	235	245*	
—	Royal Mail Ord.	82	87	

TEAS.

Stock	Price	Change
Amal. Estates	41½	
Anglo-Ceylon	48/10½	+0/4½
Assam Co.	46/4½	+0/6
Assam Cons.	18/3	+0/1½
Assam Dooars	41½	
Assam Front'r	24/0	
Aso. T.E. Cy'ln	67/3	+1/7½
Borelli	32/6	
Brahmapootra	32½	
British Assam	80/7½	
Brit. Indian	75/7½	+5/7½
Budla Beta	6⅛	
Cachar & Do'ar	7/10½	
Ceylon Plant.	6⅛	-⅛
Ceylon Prop.	66/0	+1/0
Chubwa	95/4½	+1/0
Chulsa	30/6	
Con. Tea & L.	31*	-⅛
Darjeeling Co.	42/7½*	
Deundi	20/3	
Dimbula Val.	75/0	
Dooars	76/1½*	+1/0
Doom Dooma	90/3*	+1/2
E.I. & Ceylon	65/7½*	-0/7½
E. Assam	70/7½*	+5/0
East Produce	90/4½	+1/4½
Empire	66/6*	+0/3
Galaha Ceylon	48/3	+0/6
Imperial	48/4½*	+0/10½
Jhanzie	92/1½	+0/10½
Jokai	90/0*	+0/7½
Jorehaut	93/4½	+0/10½
Lungla	34/9	+1/3
Majuli	67/9	+1/6
Mosbund	82/6	
Nedeem	63/4½	
New Sylhet	84/10½	+2/4½
Peacock & Nil	4/0	
Poonmudi	4/0	-0/1½
Rosehaugh Cey	42/3	
Singlo	68/0	+2/3
Tea Share Trus	31/3	+1/0
Travancore	98/9	+2/6
Up. Assam	49/0	+1/6

TELEGRAPHS.

M.U.	Stock		
24¼	Anglo-American Def.	24⅝	25⅛
1½	Marconi Wireless Ord.	1⅛	1⅜
1⅛	Do. Pref.	1⅛	1⅜
—	Do. Debs.	100	101
17/3	Do. Marine	16/9	17/3
5/0	Do. Canada	4/6	5/0
—	Oriental Telephone	2⅛	2⅜
9¼	Radio Corporation	9⅛	9⅜
9¼	Do. Pref. ($50)	8⅞	9⅛

TEXTILES AND STORES.

M.U.	Stock			Change
7/1½	Amalgamated Cotton	7/0	7/6	
77/6	Bleachers	78/9	79/3	-0/3
57/3	Bradford Dyers	57/6	58/6	
8/6	British Cellulose Ord.	7/6	8/6	
35/6	Calico Printers	35/3	36/0	
64/0	Coats	63/6	64/0*	
6⅞	Courtaulds	6⅝	6⅞	-⅛
62/3	English Sewing Cotton	61/0	62/0	
51/6	Fine Spinners	52/0	52/6*	+0/3
3⅛	Grouts	3⅛	3⅜	
44/0	Harrods	43/3	44/3	
24/6	Hollins (Wm.)	1¼	1⅜	
—	Linen Thread Ord.	2⅛	2¼	
32/0	Lister Ord.	31/0	32/0	-0/3
—	Selfridge 6 p.c. Pref.	23/6	24/6	

MISCELLANEOUS INDUSTRIALS.

M.U.	Stock			Change
30/0	African and East. Trade.	29/6	30/6	
19/3	Amal. Dental Pref.-Ord.	18/6	19/6	
3⅛	Anglo-Arg. Tram. 1st Pf	3⅛	3⅜*	
17/4½	Associated Cement	17/3	17/9	
17/3	Do. Pref.	17/0	17/6	
35/6	Borax Con. Def.	1⅛	1½	
84	Brazilian Traction	82	84	-½
35/6	British Portland Cement	35/3	35/9	
—	British Glass	0/9	1/0	
14/9	B.S.A.	14/0	15/0	
27/3	British Oil and Cake	26/6	27/6	
96	Brit. Col. Electric Rail.	100	103	+1
—	Do. 4½ p.c. Debs.	88	91*	
112/9	Brit.-Amer. Tobacco	113/9	114/3	-0/6
36/3	Brunner Mond	36/0	37/0	+0/3
32/0	Bryant and May	31/6	32/6	
—	Carreras	12⅝	13⅛	
25/6	Dunlop Rubber	25/3	26/3	
105	Do. Deb.	103	109	
—	Do. Amer. Tire Deb.	104	106*	
—	English Electric	18/2	19/3	-0/3
—	Finlay (James)	76/0	77/0	
27/3	General Electric Ord.	26/6	28/0	
—	Do. Debs.	103	107	
—	Gramophone Ord.	2⅛	2⅜	+⅛
104/3	Imperial Tobacco Ord.	104/9	105/3	
19/3	Jute Indus. Pref.	18/-	19/3	
21/3	Lever 7 p.c. Pref.	20/6	21/9*	
—	Lever 7 p.c. Debs.	103	105	
—	Lever 5 p.c. Debs.	95	97	
16	Mexican Trams	14	19	
—	Do. Bonds	61	64	
68½	Do. L. and P. Bonds	70	73	
27/0	Nobel Ord.	27/0	28/0	
21/0	Do. Pref.	21/0	22/0	
—	Do. Def.	11/6	12/6	
1⅛	Parent Trust Def.	1⅛	1⅜*	
1	Do. Ord.	1⅛	1⅛*	
31/6	Platt Bros. Ord.	31/6	31/6*	-0/3
—	Prov. Cine. 7½ p.c. Pf.Ord.	⅛	⅜*	
33/9	Rolls Royce	33/6	34/6	
30/0	Salt Union	29/6	30/6	
94¾	San Paulo Tram Deb.	98	101*	
—	Shawinigan Water Debs.	103	108	
12¼	Swedish Match "B"	11⅞	12⅛	
37/6	Schweppes Def.	37/0	38/0	
—	Taylor's Service	23/6	24/0	
—	Tilling Ord.	2⅛	2½	
—	Do. 5½ p.c. Cum. Pref.	4¼	4½	
—	United Alkali	1⅛	1⅛	
27/0	Wallpaper Def.	27/0	28/0	

* Ex div. † Ex rights. ‡ Cum div. § Ex bonus.

DUBLIN PRICE CHANGES.

GUINNESS, COTTONS, COURTAULDS AND BRITISH-AMERICAN TOBACCO WEAKER. SPINNERS, BLEACHERS AND DUNLOPS BETTER.

Government National Loan repeated 97 and Compensation Stock 94.

In British Funds, Funding Loan rose ⅛ to 85⅝, while War Loan 5 p.c. repeated 100¼.

Banks closed firm. Nationals rose ¹⁄₁₆ to 20⅝, while Bank Stock repeated 279.

In Breweries, etc., J. Power and Son Pref. Shares fell 6d. to 10s. for an odd lot. Guinness Ord. were sellers, but did not quote until the later market, when the quotation fell ½ to 74½.

British and Irish Steam Pref. repeated 13s. 6d.

Marconi Ord. again fetched 22s. for a broken lot.

Among Rails, Great Southern Guaranteed rose 3½ to 43, while the Pref. repeated 30 and the Debs. 60. Dublin and Blessington Baronial improved 2s. 6d. to 65s. The Ord. Stock was neglected, but firm, so far as the market could indicate.

In Tramways, Dublin United Pref. fell ¹⁄₁₆ to 7⅝-⅞, but the 4 p.c. (D.S.D.) Debs. rose 2⅜ to 67⅜. Cork Electric Pref. realised 5.

Alliance Gas Shares realised 6⅝ for an odd lot.

Among Manufacturing Shares, Bleachers rose 3d. to 79s. 6d., and Spinners 1s. to 52s. 9d., but Cottons fell 1s. to 61s., and Courtaulds 1s. 9d. to 139s., 138s. 6d., 138s., while Bradford Dyers repeated 58s. 6d. A small lot of Helys Ord. realised 24s. 6d., a fall of 3d. Lever Bros. 7 p.c., quoted ex div., realised 20s. 6d., or practically no alteration. Vickers rose 4½d. to 8s.-8s. 1½d. Imperial Tobaccos were firm at 105s. 6d., but British-Americans fell 9d. to 114s. 6d., 114s., 114s. 3d. Coats were idle, but firm, round 63s., ex bonus.

In Trading, etc., Yam Seng Rubber rose 1½d. to 6s. 7½d. buyers, and Anglo-Java Rubber and Produce 1½d. to 8s. 10½d. Dublin Artisans' Dwellings repeated 6½, and Mexican Eagle Oil quoted 19s. 1½d., a fall of 3d.

BUSINESS DONE:

Stock	Price
National Loan...(97)	97
Compensation Stock (94)	94
5% War Ln..(100½)	100½
Fund. Loan..(85⅝)	85⅝
Bank Stock...(279)	279c
National ......(20⅝)	20⅝
Guinness ....(75)	74½
Power Pref..(10/6)	*10/-
B. & I. Steam Pref. (13/6)	13/6
Marconi ......(22/-)	*22/-
G.S. Pref.........(30)	30
Do. Guar.......(39½)	43
Do. Deb..........(60)	60
Blessington Tram....65/-	
Dublin Tram Pref. (7½)	*7⅝ ⅞
Do. D.S.D.T. Deb. (65)	67⅜
Cork Tram Pref...(5)	*5
Alliance Gas...(6½)	*6⅝
Bleachers ....(79/3)	79/6
Dyers ....(58/6)	58/6
Cottons ......(62/-)	61/-
Courtaulds..(139/9)	139/- 8/6 *8/-
Spinners .....(51/9)	52/9
B.A.T.......(115/-)	114/6 *14/- */3
Imp. Tob. (105/6)	105/6
Hely's Ord..(24/9)	*24/6
Lever 7%	20/6 x.d.
Vickers......(7/9)	8/- /1½
Yam Seng......(6/6)	6/7½
Art. Dwellings...(6½)	6½
Dunlops ...(26/-)	25/10½
Anglo-Java Rub...	*8/10½
Mex. Eagle Ord....	19/1½

* Odd lot. b bid. a asked. c cash.
(Last business done given in parentheses.)

IRISH BANKS RATE.

Discount	6 p.c.	Dec. 3, 1925.
Deposit	2½ p.c.	Dec. 3, 1925.

STOCK EXCHANGE SETTLEMENTS.

Contango	Jan. 4	Jan. 18
Mining ticket	Jan. 5	Jan. 19
General ticket	Jan. 6	Jan. 20
Account day	Jan. 7	Jan. 21

BELFAST.

Exchange closed weak, with dull tone. War Loan 100⅛, Conversion Loan 75⅛, War Bonds 105⅛, Great Northern Railway Stock 29⅞, Coats Ord. 63s., Dunville 10½, Sawers Pref. 15s. 6d., Dunlop Rubber 25s. 10½d.

PROVINCIAL EXCHANGES.

BIRMINGHAM.—Motors generally firm. Rovers slowly improving. Standards and Singers better. Dennis still rising, 65/9. Lucas again lower. Austins easier. Austins, 6/6; ditto Debentures, 96; Bluemels, 36/6; Components, 5/6; Enfields, 31/6; Humbers, 42/-; Lucas, 76/6; Napiers, 37/6; Rolls, 34/-; Rovers, 10/6; S.T.D., 4/3; Singers, 43/3; Standards, 40/6; Swifts, 8/6; Triumphs, 34/6; Vauxhalls Preference, 14/-; Dunlops, 25/10½; Parent Deferred, 36/6.

MANCHESTER.—Textiles a firm market. Coats harder. Bleachers, 79/-79/6; Calicos, 35/6-36/-; Dyers, 57/6-58/6; Cottons, 61/-62/-; Spinners, 52/-52/6; "Slubbers," 7/3-7/6; Coats, 63/-63/6; Ship Canal, 8⅛-8¼; Velvets, 24/6-25/-; Amalgamated Cottons, 7/3-7/6; Dunlops, 25/6-26/-; Courtaulds, 137/6-138/9; Hoyles, 32/6-33/-; Hollins, 24/-24/3.

LONDON MINING MARKET STEADY.

"KAFFIRS" DULL.

Mining Shares generally were steady, though Kaffirs, now that all doubts as to dividends have been set at rest and there seems little to go for, were dullishly inclined, particularly as Paris was a persistent seller of the international counters. Central Mining suffered severely, and Rand Mines, Randfontein, "Johnnies," and Goldfields were all easier. "T.C.L." also received some unwelcome attention from the French capital and relapsed. On the other hand, Union Corporation, Brakpans, City Deep, and Van Ryn Deep were in some request and higher, and Generals picked up. In the Rhodesian department Chartered suffered from some week-end profit-taking, and Tanks., Zams., and Cam and Motor, with one or two others, were similarly affected, but Rhodesian Congo Border were a very strong spot, rising to 5⅛, and Rhodesia Broken Hill, Northern Rhodesia, Bwana, Mkubwa and Loangwa were being nibbled at, though closing without quotable alteration. Closing prices:—

SOUTH AFRICAN.

M.U. Dec. 14.	Stock	Price	Change
1⅛	Anglo-Amer. Corp.	1⅛-1⅜	-⅛
16/3	Anglo-French	15/9-16/3	-0/3
3⅛	Brakpan	3⅛-3⅜	+⅛
15¼	Cent. Min'g (£8)	14⅛-14⅝	-⅛
8/0	Central W'st (5/)	8/0-8/6	
2⅛	City Deep	2⅛-2⅜	+⅛
1⅛	Con. Goldfields	1⅛-1⅜	-⅛
13/3	Cons. Main Reef	12/6-13/0	-0/3
17/0	Con. M. Sel. 10/	16/0-16/6	
3	Crown Mines (10/)	2⅞-3⅛	
17/0	Durban Deep	16/9-17/3	
10/3	E. Rand Prop	9/7½-9/10½	-0/3
3⅛	Geduld	3⅛-3⅜	
30/6	Gen. Mining	29/9-30/3	+0/3
11/3	G. M. Investment	9/9-10/3	
8⅛	Gover'ment Mines	8⅛-8⅜	
4/0	Hendies Plat. (5/)	3/9-4/3	
4/0	Hendersons (5/)	3/9-4/3	
47/0	Johan'burg I'vst.	46/0-46/6	-0/3
5/0	Kleinfontein	4/0-4/6	
11/0	Knight's	10/3-10/9	
21/0	Langlaagte Est.	20/6-21/0	-0/9
⅛	Lydenburg Plat.	⅛-⅜	
3⅛	Meyer & Charlton	3⅛-3⅜	
4⅛	M'derfontein (10/)	4⅛-4⅜	
1⅛	Modder B (5/)	1⅛-1⅜	
2⅛	Modder Deep (5/)	2⅛-2⅜	
⅛	Modder East	⅛-⅜	
2⅛	New State Areas	2⅛-2⅜	
5/0	Nigel	4/0-5/0	
6/0	Nourse Mines	5/9-6/3	
2⅛	Rand Mines (5/)	2⅛-2⅜	-⅛
14/3	Randfontein	13/9-14/3	-0/3
1⅛	Rob'son D A (1/)	1-1⅛	
1⅛	Robinson Dp. B	1⅛-1⅜	
10/3	Rose Deep	10/0-10/6	
17/6	S.A. Gold Trust	⅛-⅜	
20/3	S.A. Towns (10/)	20/0-20/6	
2½	Springs Mines	2⅜-2⅝	
16/3	Sub Nigel	15/9-16/3	
3⅛	Trans. and Del. B	3⅛-3⅜*	
3⅛	Trans. Con. L (10/)	2⅞-3⅛	-⅛
⅛	Trans. Devel	⅛-⅜	
2⅛	Union Corp (12/6)	2⅛-2⅜	+⅛
22/0	Van Ryn	20/9-21/3	-0/3
2⅛	Van Ryn Deep	2⅛-2⅜	+⅛
27/6	Vereeniging	27/0-27/6	
7/9	Village Deep	7/3-7/9	
14/0	West Rand Con.	13/3-13/9	-0/3
29/0	West Springs	29/0-29/6	
25/6	Wit'ersrand Deep	25/3-26/3	

RUSSIAN.

M.U.	Stock	Price	Change
5/3	Russo-Asiat. Cns.	5/0-5/3	-0/1½
4/3	Russian Mining	3/9-4/3	-0/3
⅛	Siberian Props	5/0-6/0	
⅛	Spassky	⅛-⅛	

RHODESIAN.

M.U. Dec. 14.	Stock	Price	Change
7/6	Bechuanaland Ex.	7/6-8/0	
10/0	Beira Town Sites	10/0-11/0	
7/0	Bwana M'Kubwa	7/9-8/0	
2⅛	Cam and Motor	2⅛-2⅜	-⅛
26/7½	Chart'd B.S.A.	27/1½-/4½	-/4½
1/3	Falcon	1/0-1/6	
18/9	Gaika Gold	18/9-19/9	
8/9	Globe & Phoenix (5/)	8/9-9/3	-0/3
8/7½	Gold F. Rho. (10/)	8/4½-/7½	
⅛	Lonely Reef	⅛-⅜	
2⅛	Rezende	2⅛-2⅜	+⅛
3/9	R. Broken Hill (5/)	3/10½-4/1½	
12/0	Selukwe (2/6)	12/3-12/6	-0/3
1⅛	Shamva Mines	1⅛-1⅜	
⅛	Sherwood Starr (5/)	2⅛-2⅜	-⅛
2⅛	Tanganyika	2⅛-2⅜	-⅛
32/0	Vic. Falls Ord	2⅛-2⅜	
33/6	do. Pref.	33/0-34/0	
1⅛	Wankie Col. (10/)	1⅛-1⅜*	
7/6	Willoughby	7/4½-7½	
2	Zambesia Expl	2⅛-2⅜	-⅛

DIAMOND.

M.U.	Stock	Price	Change
⅜	Angola Diamond	1⅛-1⅜	
22/9	Con. D. S. W. A.	22/0-22/6	-0/3
14⅛	De Beers Def.	13⅞-14	-⅛
13⅛	do. Pref.	13-13⅛	-⅛
3⅛	Jagersfontein	3⅛-3⅜	-⅛
8/0	N. Val. River	7⅛-7⅜	
7⅛	Premier Pf. (5/-)	7⅛-7⅜	
⅜	West African	9/6-10/6	

AUSTRALIAN.

M.U.	Stock	Price	Change
1⅛	Amal. Zinc	1⅛-1⅜	
1/1½	Associated (4/)	1/0-1/6	
26/3	Broken Hill Prop.	25/0-26/0	-0/6
3⅛	B. Hill Sth. New	3⅛-3⅜	
1⅛	Electro Zinc Pref.	1⅛-1⅜	+⅛
6⅛	North Broken Hill	6⅛-6⅜	
⅛	Sulphide Ord.	18/3-19/3	+0/3
12/6	South Kalgurli	12/3-13/3	
47/0	Zinc Ord. (10/-)	48/6-49/	+1/6
4⅛	do. Pref.	4⅛-4⅜	

WEST AFRICAN.

M.U.	Stock	Price	Change
13/3	Ashanti Gold (4/	13/3-13/9	+0/3
12/0	Fanti Cons. (8/)	11/6-12/0	
17/4½	Gold Coast Amal.	17/0-17/6	
3/0	Taquah & Abosso	2/6-3/0	

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M.U. Dec. 14.	Stock	Price	Change
15/0	Anglo-Con. (10/-)	14/9-15/3	
3⅛	Aramayo Mines	3⅜-4⅛	
12/3	Bauchi Ord. (10/)	12/6-13/0	
19/3	do. Pref (10/)	19/6-20/6	+0/3
10/9	Bisichi	10/9-11/0	
2⅛	Gopeng	2⅛-2⅜	
50/0	Ipoh	48/6-49/6	
17/0	Kaduna Synd (5/)	16/9-17/9	+0/3
3⅛	Kamunting	3⅛-3⅜	+⅛
2⅛	Kramat Pulai	2⅛-2⅜	
5⅛	Malayan T.D.	5⅛-5⅜	+⅛
16/0	Mongu	15/9-16/3	
1⅛	Naraguta	1⅛-1⅜	
14/6	Pahang (5/-)	14/0-14/6	+0/3
1⅜	Rambutan	1¼-1⅜	
6/9	Rayfield (10/-)	6/9-7/0	
20/0	do., 10 p.c. P. Pf.	20/0-22/0	
2⅛	Renong	2⅛-2⅜	
14/9	Ropp (4/ Shs)	14/6-14/9	
1⅛	Siamese	1⅛-1⅜*	
4/0	South Bukeru (5/)	3/10½-4/1½	
43/0	Tavoy	42/0-43/0	
2⅛	Tronoh	2⅛-2⅜	+⅛

COPPER.

M.U.	Stock	Price	Change
12/0	Arizona (5/-)	⅛-⅜*	
⅛	Mount Elliott (£5)	⅛-⅜	
24/6	Mount Lyell	24/3-25/6	
6/6	Mount Morgan	6/3-7/3	
1⅛	Namaqua	1⅛-1⅜	
40¼	Rio Tinto (£5)	40⅝-41	-⅛
5/3	S. American (2/)	4/9-5/3	

MISCELLANEOUS.

M.U.	Stock	Price	Change
7/3	Brit. Platinum	6/3-7/3	
18/3	Burma Corp	18/6-18/9	
8/6	Champion Reef	8/9-9/3	+0/6
1⅛	Chosen Synd "A"	1⅛-1⅜	
20/0	Colombian Props	19/6-20/6	
1/9	Corderoy Synd	1/6-2/0	
2⅛	Huronian Belt	2-2⅛	
6/7½	Keeley Silver	6/4½-/7½	
9/0	Kirkland Lake	8/3-8/9	-0/6
1⅛	Mexico Mines	1⅛-1⅜*	
3⅛	Minerals Separ't'n	2⅞-3⅛	
13/9	Min. Orp. of Can.	13/0-13/6	+0/9
14/0	Mysore (10/-)	13/6-14/6	
8/1½	Nat. Min. (8/-)	7/10½-8/1½	
7/6	Nundydroog	7/3-7/9	
⅛	Ooregum	13/3-14/3	
3/9	Oroville	3/6-4/0	
10/3	St. John Del Rey	9/6-10/6	
28/9	San Francisco (10/)	28/9-29/3	
20/6	Santa Gertrudis	19/6-20/6	-0/3
—	S. Amer. G. Areas	⅛-⅜	
6/1½	Vipond	5/10½-6/1½	
1⅜	Waihi Gold	22/6-23/6	+0/6

* Ex. Dividend † Ex. Rights

DEALINGS IN LONDON MARKET.

The following dealings among active stocks and shares were "marked" in London yesterday:—

Consols—54⅝, ½, ⅝, ¾, ⅞, 55, 4⅞, ⅞, ⅞. **5 p.c. War Loan**—100⅜, ⅜, ⅜, ½, ⅜, ⅜, ⅜, ⅜, ⅜. **Funding Loan**—85⅝, ½, ⅝, ⅝, ⅝, ⅝, ⅝, ⅝, 6, 5⅝. **Conversion Loan 3½ p.c.**—74⅞, ¾, 75, ⅛, ⅛, 5, 6, 4⅞, ⅞, 5⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. **Australia 5 p.c. Stock**—100, 99⅞, 100⅛, 99⅞. **Aerated Bread** (x.d.)—25/3, 6/1½, 3d., 5/9, *6/6, 5/6. **African and Eastern**—29/9. **Allied Newspapers Ord.**—33/-, 2/10½, 3/3. **Anglo-Dutch Rubber**—62/2½, 9d., 6d., 60/3, 1/9, 2/-, 1/10½, 1/-, 60/10½. **Associated Cement**—17/-, 4½d., 6d. **Associated Newspapers Def.**—6⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. **Bovril Def.**—46/6, 7/-. **Brazilian Traction**—82⅛, ⅛, ¼, ⅛. **Brit. Amer. Tobacco**—114/6, 14/-, 3d., 9d., 1½d., 13/6, 14/3, 13/9, 7½d., 14/1½. **British Oil and Cake**—27/1½, 7/-, 4½d., 3d. **Bryant and May**—32/3, 1/9, 6d. **Buenos Ayres Great Southern**—90, ⅛, ½, ⅛, ¼, 89½, 90½. **Calico Printers**—35/6. **Canadian Pacific**—*151½, ¼, ½, 1, ½, *2, 1½, *2, *1, 50½, *2½. **Central Argentine Cons.**—74⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. **Coats**—63/-, 6d., 2/6, 3/-. **Cook (St. Paul's) Ord.**—20/9, 10½d., 1/-, 1½d., 20/10½. **do. Part. Pref.**—22/6. **Courtaulds**—6⅞, ⅞, ⅞, £6 18/-, £6 19/, 6 61-64, £6 17/-, 6⅞; **do. Pref.** (x.d.)—19/1½, 3½d., 3d., 19/-, 1½d. **Crosse and Blackwell**—3/9, 7½d., 8½d., 6d. **Crosses and Winkworth Pref.**—6/3, 4½d., 5/9. **Cunard Ord.**—16/10½, 17/-, 16/6, 10½d.; **do. Debentures**—101, ½, *1. **"Daily Mail" Ord. (2/-)**—30/7½, 50/-. **"Daily Mirror" Ord.**—6⅛. **Dunlop Ord.**—25/4½, 6/-, 5/9, 7½d., 10½d., 9½d., 11½d., 10½d.; **do. "C" Pref.**—22/7½, 3/-, 2/7½. **Elder-Dempster 6 p.c. Pref.** (x.d.)—17/6. **English Sewing Cotton**—61/3, 2/-, 1/3. **Fine Cotton Spinners**—52/7½, 3d. **General Electric Ord.**—27/-, 9d.; **do. Debs.**—105⅛, ½, 5, 4⅞, ½, 5. **German 3 p.c.**—6/9, 6d. **German 7 p.c. External Loan**—102⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. **Grand Trunk Pacific 4 p.c. Debs.**—49⅛, ⅛, 8⅞, ⅛, ⅛. **Great Western Rail**—85⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 6⅛, ⅛, ⅛; **do. 5 p.c. Pref.**—93⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. **Greek 7 p.c. Refugee**—90⅛, 90, 89⅞, 90⅛. **Greut Ord.**—70/7½, 3½d., 7½d. **Guinness Ord.**—740, 3. **Harland and Wolff Pref.** (x.d.)—13/3, 4½d., 5½d., 10½d., 8½d., 10½d. **Harrods Ord.**—44/-, 3/9, 6d., 7½d. **Hudson's Bay Ord.** (x.d.)—95/-, 6/3. **Hungarian 7½ p.c., 1924**—100⅛, ⅛, ⅛. **Imperial Tobacco**—105/-, 3d., 4/10½, 5/6, 5/1½, 4/9, 10½d., *5/6, 4/7½, *4/3; **do. Canada** (x.d.)—25/3, 4/10½, 5/-. **Lever 7 p.c. Pref.** (x.d.)—20/9, 7½d., 4½d., 6d., 3d., 6½d., *3d., 7½d.; **do. 8 p.c. Pref.** (x.d.)—20/3, 20/-, 1½d., 0½d., 0½d.; **do. 7 p.c. Debs.**—103⅛, ⅛, *⅛. **Lister Ord.**—31/-, 9d., 6d. **London, Midland and Scottish Ord.**—73⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, *⅛, 3, ⅛, *2⅛, 3⅛, 4⅛, *3⅛, 4⅛, 3⅛, 4⅛, ⅛, ⅛. **London and N.E. Pref.-Ord.**—54⅛, *⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 5⅛, ⅛, 4⅞, ⅛; **do. Def.-Ord.**—*19⅛, ⅛, ⅛, 20, ⅛, 19⅞, ⅞, 20⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. **Marconi Ord.**—22/9, 1½d., 2/-, 3d., 1½d.; **do. Debs.**—99⅛, 100⅛; **do. Marine**—17/3, 17/-, 3d.; **do. Canada**—4/9, 10½d., 7½d. **Maypole Def.**—6/8½, 7½d., *6d., 9d., 7½d. **Metropolitan Rail**—69⅛, 9. **Metropolitan District**—47⅛. **Nobel Indus.**—27/10½, 8/-, 7/9⅛, 10½d.; **do. Pref.**—21/9; **do. Defd.**—12/7½, 6d., 4½d. **Peruvian Corp. Pref.**—36⅛, 7⅛, 7, 6⅛, ⅛, ⅛. **Phillips (Godfrey) Ord.**—84/4½, 3/-, 4/-, 3/9, 5/6, 7½d., 6/-, 4/4½. **P. and O 5 p.c. Debs.**—97⅛, 7. **Prov. Cinema Theatres** (x.d.)—14/-, 3d. **Rubber Trust**—51/3, 50/4½, 9d., 10½d., 1/1½, 50/-, 1/7½, 50/3, 49/10½, 9d., 6d., 50/6, 1½d., *3d., 6d. **Selfridge Ord.**—28/-; **do. Pref.**—*23/3, 4/-. **Smithfield and Argentine**—8/9. **Southern Rail Pref.-Ord.**—73⅛, ⅛, ⅛, *⅛, ⅛, 4⅛, 4, ⅛, ⅛; **do. Def.-Ord.**—43⅛, ⅛, 3, *3, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. **Sudan Plantations**—7⅛, ⅛, 9-64, ⅛. **Sunday Pictorial Ord.**—71/10½. **Swedish Match "B"**—12⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ⅛. **Underground Income Bonds**—97⅛. **Union Cold Storage 6 p.c. Pref.**—19/4½, 19/-, 3d. **United Dairies**—36/4½, 10½d., 7/-. **United of Havana Rail**—99⅛, ⅛, 100, 99⅞, ⅛, 100. **Vickers**—8/-, 3d., 1½d., 4½d., *7/10½, 8/2½. **Watney Combe Def.**—269, 70, 71½, 69. **Westminster Bank**—18⅞, ⅞.

(*Exceptional bargain at special price.)

MARCONI MARINE.

INTERIM DIVIDEND WITHHELD

The following circular was issued to the shareholders of the Marconi International Marine Communication Company, Ltd.:—

It has been the practice of your directors to declare an interim dividend at about this period of the year. The directors, however, regret to state that on November 26th last the Association of Wireless and Cable Telegraphists declared a strike of its sea-going members. In spite of the official order from the union, over 300 operators have signed on and sailed, and there are indications that an increasing number of members of the union are seriously disturbed at the position into which they have been led. The directors have, however, to face the possibility that the strike may for some time seriously interfere with the company's operations, and in these circumstances they do not feel justified in paying an interim dividend. As soon, however, as the strike is ended the directors will reconsider the matter, and, if they feel justified in doing so, will pay an interim dividend of 2½ per cent.

Since 1920 the wages of sea-going wireless operators have varied with the wages of other seafarers, and in 1924, when other seafarers were given an increase, the wireless operators similarly benefited. The strike of the operators is due to a decision of the Shipping Federation to ask for reductions in the operators' wages proportionate to those which are already applied to all other classes of men in the British mercantile marine. British shipping has been passing through the most serious crisis in its history, and your directors are confident that before very long the great majority of the wireless operators will realise that in the interests of their industry there is no alternative but for them to accept the reductions which are already in operation with every other class of seafarer.

DUBLIN SHIPPING REPORT.

Wind and Weather.—W.N.W. wind, light breeze; dull and overcast.

Foreign Arrivals.—Ss. Havtor, of Oslo, 570 tons register, Captain Skarrebo, from Valencia, with a cargo of fruit; discharging at shelter sheds, North Wall extension. Ss. Percy, of Riga, 436 tons register, Captain Virsis, from Riga, with a cargo of timber; discharging at Alexandra Wharf, Alexandra Basin.

Coastwise Arrivals.—Ss. Lady Longford, from Liverpool, with passengers and goods; ss. Brier, from Heysham, with passengers and goods; ss. Slieve Gallion, ss. Slievemore, from Holyhead, with goods; ss. Ben Jee, ss. Silverfield, ss. E. Hayward, from Garston, with coals; ss. Talacre, from Point of Aire, with coals; ss. Sapphire, ss. Bronzite, from Ayr, with coals; ss. Susetta, from Whitehaven, with coals; ss. St. Mungo, from Harrington, with coals; Ivy P. (ketch), from Skerries, light.

Foreign Departures.—Ss. Sonnenfelde, of Hamburg, 491 tons register, Captain Hildebrandt, for Hamburg, with general cargo; ss. Trito, of Rotterdam, 373 tons register, Captain Boll, for Amsterdam, with general cargo.

Coastwise Departures.—Ss. Lady Longford, for Liverpool, with passengers and goods; ss. Brier, for Heysham, with passengers and goods; ss. Slieve Gallion, ss. Slievemore, for Holyhead, with goods; ss. Lady Kildare, for Manchester, with goods; ss. Cato, for Bristol, with goods; ss. St. Mirren, for Cork, with wheat; Florette, for Connah's quay, with scrap iron; ss. Rosabelle, for Point of Aire, light; ss. Princetown, for Newport, light; ss. Jessie Summerfield, for Preston, light; ss. Amy Summerfield, ss. Brynawel, for Garston, light; ss. Sarah Brough, for Ormeshead, light; ss. Sard, for Troon, light; ss. Tynan, for Ayr, light; ss. Glencullen, for Partington, light.

THE MONEY MARKET.

TREASURY BILL RATE HIGHER.

LOANS MORE PLENTIFUL.

Tenders were received at the Bank of England yesterday for £40,000,000 in Treasury bills and Treasury bonds. No bonds were sold, and tenders for bills dated Monday next at £98 16s. 3d. and above and for bills dated Tuesday to Thursday at £98 15s. 11d. and above receive allotment in full. These figures indicate an average rate of 4⅞ p.c., which is rather higher than the market had anticipated, and compares with 4¹³⁄₁₆ p.c. last week. The discount market was harder on the above results, the minimum rate for fine three months' bills being 4⅞ p.c. The "hot" Treasuries were called at 4¹³⁄₁₆-4⅞ p.c. Money was in plentiful supply owing to the recent bill business at the Bank of England and the release of funds by one of the big banks. Short loans were renewed at 3¾ p.c., while fresh accommodation was offered down to 3 p.c. Weekly fixtures were continued at 4 p.c., and loans into the new year commanded up to 5 p.c.

Bank Rate Discount (changed Dec. 2, 1925) 5 %
60 days (fine) .... 4⅞ 4⅞ %
3 months .... 4⅞ 4⅞ % Trade ...... 5 5¼ %
4 months .... 4⅞ 4⅞ % ...... 5½ 5½ %
6 months .... 4⅞ 4⅞ % ...... 5½ 6 %
Loans to brokers day-to-day ...... 4 3 %
for a week ...... 4¼ %
Deposit allowance: Banks at call ...... 3 %
Discount houses at call ...... 3 %
at notice ...... 3¼ %

Owing to the small amounts on offer and a little China buying, prices of bar silver were higher again, the spot and forward quotations each rising ⅛d. to 31¹³⁄₁₆d. per ounce. The price of gold was fixed 1d. higher at 84s. 11½d. per fine ounce. The Bank of England announced the sale of bar gold to the value of £41,000.

The previous day's improvement in the American exchange was not quite held, the rate falling back to 4.85⅛. South American currencies showed little alteration, apart from a further decline in the sterling value of Peruvian pounds. The day's feature was the appreciation in French francs, caused by the proposal that the leading French industrialists shall float a loan in France and abroad. The rate closed at almost the day's best figure, and at 127½ the exchange finished fully 6 francs more favourable to France. Norway and Denmark moved rather considerably in our favour, and the Dutch rate was better from our standpoint. Belgian francs, pesetas, lire, Rumanian lei and Bulgarian levas were rather better, and for the first time for weeks past a movement was recorded in Hungarian kronen, the rate moving slightly in favour of Budapest.

—	Dec. 18 Highest and Lowest.		Dec. 17 Closing Rates.		Par Rate
Amsterdam	12.07¼	12.07½	12.07¼	12.07½	12.10
B. Ayres	46⅛	46⅛	46⅛	46⅛	47.58
Barcelona	34.20	34.22	34.24	34.26	25.22
Berlin	20.36	20.37½	20.36	20.37	20.40
Brussels	106.95	107.05	106.95	107.00	25.22½
Calcutta	1/6⅛		1/6⅛		2/0
Copenhagen	19.50	19.54	19.48	19.51	18.16
Finland	192½	192¾	192½	192¾	25.22½
Geneva	25.10	25.12	25.10½	25.11½	25.22
Greece	380	383	380	384	25.22½
Italy	120¼	120½	120.20	120.30	25.22½
Kobe (p.yn.)	1/9⅛		1/9⅛		24.58d.
Madrid	34.19	34.22	34.23	34.25	25.22½
Montreal	4.85¼	4.85⅛	4.85⅛	4.85⅛	4.86
Montevideo	49½d.	50½d.	49½d.	50½d.	51d.
New York	4.85	4.85⅛	4.85⅛	4.85¼	4.86
Oslo	23.95	24.02	23.91	23.98	18.16
Paris	127½	133	133¼	133½	25.22
Prague	163½	163½	163½	163¾	24.02
Rio de Jan.	7⅛	7⅛	7⅛	7⅛	16d.
Shanghai	3/1		3/1		—
Singapore	2/4⅛		2/4⅛		2 4⅛
Stockholm	18.09	18.10½	18.10	18.11	18.16
Vienna	34.40	34.42	34.40	34.44	34.58½
Warsaw	48	sellers	47	50	25.22½

INSURANCE SHARES.

BUSINESS DONE IN LONDON.—Alliance Assurance, 14⅛, £15 0/3; British General, 44/9, 5/-; Eagle Star, 8⅛, ⅛, ⅛, ½, ⅛; General Accident, 8, ⅛, 8; London and Lancashire, 20⅛, ⅛; London Assurance, 11⅛, ⅛; North British, 23⅛, 2⅛; do. Pref. (x.d.), 79½, 80; Royal Insurance, 30⅛, 1, £30 18/3; Scottish Union, 10⅛, ⅛; Yorkshire Insurance, 10⅛.

BUSINESS DONE IN LIVERPOOL.—Alliance, 15⅛; do. New, 15⅛, 16⅛; Commercial Union, 23⅛; London Lancashire, 20⅛, ⅛; North British, 23; Northern, 14⅛; Royal Exchange, 7; Royal Insurance, 31⅛, ⅛; Sea Insurance, 3⅛.

IRISH FAIRS.

DUNGARVAN.—The fair was small and the demand slow, best inquiry being made for yearlings, and those in good condition realised from £10 to £12. For three-year-old bullocks up to £23 was paid; two-year-olds fetched from £15 to £17. Sheep were scarce and dear. Best mutton got 1/3 per lb. Shipping trade was slack owing to foot-and-mouth disease. There was an average supply of pigs, and fat pigs were bought for about £5 each.

LISTOWEL.—Small fair; few buyers. Slow demand for cattle of all grades. Springers, 1st class, from £20 to £24; 2nd class, from £12 to £16; incalf heifers, 1st class, from £16 to £18; 2nd class, from £12 to £14; two-year-olds, 1st class, from £11 to £13, and 2nd class from £8 to £10; yearlings, 1st class, £7 10/- to £9 10/-; 2nd class, £4 10/- to £6; dropped calves, from 30/- to 50/-; beef, 2nd class, from 30/- to 35/- per cwt.; bacon pigs, from 100/- to 110/- (dead weight); bonhams, from 11 to 14 weeks old £3 to £3 10/-; younger, from £2 to £2 10/-; sows, £3 10/- per cwt. (live weight).

TULLAMORE.—Cattle, Sheep and Horse Fair, held yesterday. Limited supplies in all departments; competition keen. For good milch cows there were ready purchasers, and in beef and mutton departments business was very brisk. The horse fair showed no improvement in the matter of prices, but a stir in trade was noticeable, due to farmers buying in preparation for spring work. The horses were mostly of the type suitable for farm and dray work. Quotations:—Store cattle, under one year, £6 to £9 10/- for first class, £4 to £5 10/- second class; one year and under two years, £11 to £16 for first class, second class £8 to £10 10/-; two years and under three years, £15 to £19 first class, £10 to £14 second class; three years old and over, £20 to £24 10/- first class, £16 to £19 second class. Beef, 50/- cwt. (l.w.) first class, 45/- second class. Milch cows, £19 to £30 first class, £16 to £18 second class. Springers, £20 to £27 first class 16 to £19 10/- second class. Suckling calves, £3 to £4 10/-. Fat sheep, £4 to £4 15/-. Lambs, 45/- to 58/- each. For farm horses the prices were from £8 to £16, and draught horses £18 to £25.

NAAS.—A medium sized fair. Prices for all sorts of stock showed a downward tendency. Best beef made from 42/- to 46/- per cwt. live weight, second class 36/- to 40/-. Three-year-old bullocks, first class £18 to £22, second class £14 to £18; small stores, £8 to £12; milch cows, first class £21 to £26, second class £17 to £20, and third class £12 to £15.

STORE CATTLE SALES.

MESSRS. GANLY, SONS AND CO.

With a good attendance of home and cross-Channel buyers at above firm's sale on Thursday last there was a keen demand for all classes of cattle, and a complete clearance was effected at prices slightly in advance of last week. Next auction of store cattle will be held on 31st inst.

PRODUCE AND FOOD MARKETS.

CATTLE.

BIRKENHEAD.—Supplies—2,318 cattle and 934 sheep and lambs. Slow trade prevailed for cattle yesterday, fewer buyers being present. There was steady demand for choice quality stall-feds, but other classes were in very poor request. Bullocks and heifers made from 8½d. to 9½d., cows 5d. to 7½d., bulls 6d. to 8d. A few lots of choice stall-fed bullocks and heifers made from 10d. to extreme of 10½d. Sheep and lambs in short supply met a steady demand. Choice small-weights made around 15d., heavier sorts 13d. to 14d. per lb., sinking the offal.

GRAIN

DUBLIN CORN EXCHANGE.—Very small attendance of the trade put in an appearance, and volume of business unimportant and light, mostly retail sales of oats. Values upon much the same basis as previously.

FLOATING GRAIN CARGOES—BALTIC.—WHEAT—A dull tone pervaded the floating and forward cargo market, buyers showing little disposition to operate, and prices ruled easier, especially for North American descriptions, which were obtainable at 6d. per quarter decline. No. 1 Northern Manitoba December sellers 61/9, No. 2 do. 60/9; white Pacific January 62/-, Australian January 61/-, Barusso (62½lbs.) January-February 58/3. Parcels dull and easier; No. 1 Northern Manitoba December-January sold 60/6, No. 2 mixed Durum December 57/6, Barusso (62½lbs.) January-February 58/- per 480lbs. MAIZE cargoes pressed for sale at 3d. to 6d. per quarter decline. Plate steamers on passage sellers 37/3 to 37/9, loading 37/3, January-February 37/3; Dan.-Gal.-Fox. shipping/shipped 37/-, January-February 36/9, February-March 36/-; No. 2 white flat African December-January 36/6, No. 6 yellow do. afloat 35/3. Parcels dull and easier; Plate December-January sold 35/3, January-February 36/3; No. 2 white flat African afloat 36/- sellers per 480lbs. BARLEY dull and featureless, late rates being repeated in most instances. Parcels of Black Sea January sellers 29/6, Dan.-Bess.-Kus. do. 30/-. No. 3 Canadian Western 31/3, American malting (48lbs.) January 28/6 per 400lbs. OATS easier; Plate f.a.q. afloat sellers 23/3, loading sold 22/6, January-February 22/6; No. 2 Canadian Western December 28/9, January 27/9; American white clipped No. 2 (38lbs.) December 25/6 per 320lbs.

MARK LANE CORN.—Quiet conditions prevailed at the week-end market, and prices were generally on a lower level, in sympathy with the decline in forward values. WHEAT easier. No. 1 Northern Manitoba ex ship to arrive quoted 64/-, No. 2 ditto 63/-, No. 3 62/-, No. 2 mixed Durum 60/6, Barusso 62½lbs. ex ship 63/6 per 496lbs. English quoted 12/2 to 12/4 per 112lbs. f.o.r. FLOUR dull and easier; London standard grade quoted 50/-, patents 52/- to 53/-, town whites 50/- per sack, delivered in the home counties, with 6d. to 1/- per sack less for deliveries in the London districts. Of imported Manitoba, patents range from 47/6 to 50/6, Minneapolis 48/6 to 51/-, Australian 46/- to 46/6 per 280lbs. ex store. MAIZE lower. Plate ex ship to arrive quoted 37/3, landed 40/-, white flat African ex ship 36/9, landed 38/9 per 480lbs. Yellow African maize meal ex ship to arrive £9, white ditto £8 5/- per ton. BARLEY inactive. Californian ex store quoted 38/- to 50/-, Chilian Chevalier 58/- to 63/-, brewing 50/- to 53/-, according to quality, Australian Chevalier 50/- to 58/- ex store, Danish ex ship 45/- to 60/- per 448lbs. American malting ex ship 30/-, No. 3 Canadian Western ex ship 32/6, Russian ex ship 29/3, landed 30/6 per 400lbs. English quoted 9/3 to 20/-, the latter for finest malting quality, per 112lbs. OATS quiet, and occasionally easier. Plate ex ship quoted 24/9 to 24/3, as to position, landed 27/-, No. 2 Canadian Western ex ship to arrive 29/9, No. 2 Canadian feed ex ship 28/3, landed 26/6, No. 2 white clipped American 38lbs. ex ship to arrive 25/-, landed 26/3, all per 320lbs.; Danzig ex ship 28/6 to 29/6 per 336lbs.; English quoted 9/- to 9/8 per 112lbs. f.o.r. MILLERS' OFFALS steady. Broad bran quoted 8/6 to 9/-, middlings 8/- to 8/3, fine ditto 10/6, bags included, ex mill, powdered oat husks 6/3, feed oatmeal 8/9, ground oats 12/3 per cwt. f.o.r. OATMEAL unaltered. London-made flaked 18/-, rolled oats 17/-, medium, also fine, cut 17/-, coarse, also medium, pinhead 17/- ex mill, ordinary Scottish oatmeal 17/6, American ditto 16/- per cwt. London arrivals:—English—Oats 1220, malt 620 qrs., flour 2,560 sacks. Foreign—Wheat 94,880, barley 19,250, oats 38,540, maize 41,270, beans 790, peas 2,450 qrs.; flour 17,110 sacks.

LIVERPOOL CORN.—With disappointing American and Argentine cables and increased shipments from latter, forward deliveries of WHEAT here showed a substantial decline at the outset, then fluctuated moderately, but in the absence of demand for actual wheat and liquidations, prices further gave way until a heavy loss had been registered. Later on rains were reported in the Argentine, and, with active buying, prices jumped considerably and fluctuated wildly, finishing decidedly under the best, though at a sharp advance from the worst point. C.i.f. parcels inactive; No. 1 Manitoba December-January sold at 60/6 to 60/3 per qr. C.i.f. parcels MAIZE River Plate December-January sold at 35/6 per qr. Wheat on the spot scarce and nominal. Maize spot parcels dull and easier; River Plate quoted 8/- to 8/1½ per cental. FLOUR quiet at about late rates. Graded wheat futures, after giving way 2½d. to 3½d., rapidly advanced during the late afternoon, May delivery at one time being 2½d. over Thursday night; then reacted, the market closing ½d. lower to 1d. higher than Thursday. Sales, 300 loads. Closing values—December nominal, March 12/2, May 11/10, July 11/7½. Parcels maize American mixed December-January sold 34/3.

DERBY.—Holiday market, and business slow, despite general lowering of prices. Wheat made 56/- for 4½ cwt., oats 28/- and upwards for 3 cwt., barley 36/- and upwards for 4 cwt.

WAKEFIELD.—Moderate supplies, but little enquiry. English wheat was quoted 12/- to 12/6 per cwt. f.o.r.; best barley 10/6 to 12/-, medium 9/- to 10/-, grinding 8/6; oats 9/- to 9/6, beans and maize 6d. to 1/- lower. Other feeding stuffs steady.

PROVISIONS.

LIVERPOOL.—Irish and Danish BACON rules steady and in moderate demand at recent currencies. Canadian Wiltshires still quiet at the recent decline. The market for American selections of bacon here continues quiet and holders are still easy to approach, but no further quotable change is made in values. HAMS steady for short cut owing to relative scarcity, but longs show a further decline at 120/- to 126/- per cwt. Shoulders mark a further partial decline of 1/- for squares, but picnics remain nominal. LARD on the spot, in sympathy with the decline in Chicago, is offered at 6d. less money at 76/- to 76/6 for prime steam and 75/6 to 77/6 per cwt. American refined, with only a moderate business reported. CHEESE quiet and finest Canadian 1/- lower at 108/- to 110/- for both white and coloured, but late made unchanged at 104/- to 106/- per cwt. BUTTER freely offered at further reduced prices of 184/- to 188/- for Danish, 174/- to 178/- New Zealand, 166/- to 170/- Australian, and 158/- to 162/- Argentine, and buyers very reserved, looking for further reductions. EGGS quiet at 27/- to 28/- for fresh Irish hen, 17/- to 17/6 cold stored, and 8/9 to 9/6 per 120 Egyptian.

LONDON.—EGGS—The general tone of the market remains quiet and values weak. English 29/- to 30/-, Danish, 18lbs. 29/-, 16lbs. 25/- to 26/-; Dutch all brown 30/- to 31/-, mixed 24/- to 26/-, French all brown finest 27/- to 28/-, medium 20/- to 22/-, mixed 20/- to 22/-, Brittany 18/-, Belgian 26/- to 27/-, Italian Northern 17lbs. 24/-, 16lbs. 23/-, 15lbs. 21/-, Southern 18/- to 19/-, pickled 12/6 to 13/9, turkey 25/- to 26/-, Styrian hen new laid 17/- to 19/-, Jugo-Slavian, Servian, and also Hungarian 17/- to 18/-, Russian best 16/- to 17/-, do. cold stored 11/- to 13/-, Argentine 13/- to 14/-, Australian 22/- to 23/6, Egyptian 8/9 to 10/6, all per 120. BUTTER—The market opened the week with a steadier tone, but closed dull and depressed. Liberal quantities remain in cold store. More Danish is now being shipped to the United Kingdom owing to a marked falling off in German demand. New Zealand finest salted 170/- to 174/-, good to fine 158/- to 166/-, inferior 140/- to 148/-, unsalted 174/- to 178/-, Australian finest salted 162/- to 170/-, good to fine 148/- to 160/-, inferior 140/- to 146/-, unsalted 148/- to 174/-, Argentine finest unsalted 142/- to 150/-, good to fine 130/- to 140/-, Danish 188/- to 190/-, Dutch 194/- to 196/-, French salted baskets 181/- to 190/-, Esthonian 166/- to 170/-, Latvian 160/- to 166/-, Siberian 140/- to 150/- per cwt.; Dutch rolls 22/- to 23/- per dozen lbs. CHEESE—A quiet tone prevailed, and prices in most cases were barely maintained. English finest farmers' quoted 140/- to 145/-, fine 125/- to 135/-, loaf 135/- to 145/- per cwt.; Stilton 1/2 to 1/9 per lb.; Canadian white and coloured 104/- to 114/-, New Zealand do. 102/- to 106/-, Dutch Edam coloured 104/- to 114/-, New Zealand do. 102/- to 106/-, Dutch Edam 45 p.c. quoted 114/-, 40 p.c. 95/- to 99/-, 30 p.c. 82/- to 86/-, 20 p.c. 68/- to 72/-, Gouda 40 p.c. 98/-, 30 p.c. 85/-, 20 p.c. 66/- to 71/- per cwt. BACON—Supplies continue short, and readily cleared at previous rates. Lean selections very scarce, most of the arrivals consisting of stout and heavy bacon. Official prices unaltered. English quoted 136/- to 140/-, Danish 129/- to 134/-, Swedish 124/- to 131/-, Dutch 126/- to 130/-, Canadian 120/- to 128/-, American Wiltshire cut 121/- to 122/-, Latvian 112/- to 124/-, Esthonian 116/- to 124/- per cwt. HAMS—American firm and light weights scarce. English in fair demand and quoted 175/- to 224/-, Canadian long cut 124/- to 128/-, short 124/- to 126/-, American long 116/- to 142/-, short 118/- to 134/- per cwt. LARD—Market steady though quiet. American boxes quoted 76/- to 78/-, pails 81/6, cartons 80/- to 82/-, Danish bladders 78/- to 88/- per cwt.

MANCHESTER.—BUTTER — Danish official quotation wired 16 kroner lower, and top now stands at 326 kroner per hundred kilos, against 342 previous week and 600 corresponding period last year. Spot business by no means brisk, even at reduction, and forward prospects by no means bright. Approximate prices for choicest were as follow:—Danish 183/- to 185/-, Swedish 170/- to 172/-, Finnish 172/- to 174/-, Canadian, Australian and New Zealand nominal. BACON—Irish unchanged, but Danish light weights 2/-, heavy 3/-, Swedish 5/-, and Dutch officially 8/- per cwt. lower. Owing to near approach of holidays, general position rather uncertain and quotations to a certain extent nominal. Irish 126/- to 134/-, according to average; North of Ireland rolls 146/- to 150/-, according to weight and cure; Danish 126/- to 134/-, Swedish 118/- to 124/-, and Canadian 114/- to 120/-. LARD quiet, favouring buyers; English refined 79/-, boxes, wholesale and American 76/- to 77/- per cwt., according to brand. CHEESE—Finest makes Lancashire and Cheshire scarce and firm; lower grades difficult to move. Choicest Cheshire quoted around 1/3½, and finest Lancashire around 1/4 per lb.; Canadian lower, September 111/- to 115/-, October 109/- to 110/-, and later months 3/- to 4/- less. EGGS quiet: Irish, extra selected 28/-, selected 27/-, mediums 24/6; Danish, 18lbs. 29/-, 17lbs. 28/-, 15½lbs. 27/-; Egyptians 10/-, Fayoums 9/6, Saidis 9/-, Russians 15/- to 16/-, Polish 15/6, Irish stores 18/- and English 19/-.

DUBLIN FRUIT AND VEGETABLE.—Imported fruits in fair seasonable supply, and rather slow demand. Apples and other leading sorts show little change in value. Pines 4/6 to 6/- and 7/- each. An arrival of English Muscat grapes rated up to 9/- per lb. Large oranges yet scarce; cases 240 24/- to 30/- and 504 15/6 to 18/-; lemons 15/- to 20/- and 25/- per case; Paris asparagus 10/- per bundle; Irish apples 9/6 to 19/- per barrel. Vegetables in good supply and generally slow request at uneven prices. Sales averaged—Celery 3/- to 5/6, and special up to 8/3 and 9/6 per bundle; broccoli 2/9 to 3/6, 4/6 and 5/- per dozen; sprouts 4/6 to 5/-, 5/6 and 6/- per half bushel, and 3/- to 3/9 and 4/- per float, etc.; salad 1/- per box; York cabbage 10/-, 15/-, 25/-, and extras 30/- per load; Savoy cabbage 15/- to 20/- and 21/- per load; Swede turnips 1/8 to 2/- and 2/4 per cwt.; white turnips 4d. to 8d. per bundle; carrots 1/2 to 2/- per dozen bundles; parsnips 4/- to 4/6 and 5/- per bag, and around 5/6 to 6/- per cwt.; leeks 1/- to 1/5 per dozen; artichokes 10d. to 1/- per strike, 3/- per float; parsley 5d. to 10d. per tray, etc., 2/2 per bag; beet 1/- to 2/- per dozen; thyme 4d. to 8d. and 10d.; sage 1/9 to 2/- per dozen.

DUBLIN POTATO.—Supplies keep liberal and slow to reduce in face of a comparatively limited consumptive demand. Prices for city delivery still inside 4/- to 4/6 and 5/- per cwt.

DUBLIN POULTRY.—There have been very heavy arrivals of all classes of poultry on the Christmas markets, and a good demand for choice qualities of turkeys, fat geese and other prime mented classes of dead goods, which have been properly handled and cooled. Prices remain firm, leading lines of which are:—Choice turkeys 1/2 to 1/4 per lb., some special lots up to 1/5; choice geese 9d. to 1/- per lb.; demand for rabbits very quiet owing to the many fast days this week. What game is coming forward is of lean and poor quality, and market is slow for it.

DUBLIN EGG AND BUTTER.—A much better demand for Danish creams at the lower prices now ruling—viz., 1/9 to 1/9½ per lb. We note, too, that Copenhagen advices come at a further drop of 9/- to 10/- per cwt. for next week's deliveries, but this reduction coming inside the holidays will not take effect until after Christmas in the spot trade here. The quality of Australian creams has improved so much that the previous esteem for New Zealand produce has been superseded by the Australian article; price for this latter 1/7 to 1/7½ per lb. Butter ough now to be obtainable at reasonable rates in the city in retail shops. Irish creams show a deterioration in quality, and fewer are coming to hand in strictly up to choice standard; best Irish creams offering 1/7½ per lb.; cold storage and fair quality creams 1/6 to 1/7 per lb.; Irish factory butter failing in quality, price 1/3½ to 1/5 per lb.; farmers' butter nominally 1/2 to 1/4 per lb. Supplies of eggs increasing, as is usual at this period. Trade is better at the lower rates—viz., best case lots of hen eggs 27/- to 28/6, retail lots 30/-, good mediums 21/- to 24/-; small are hard to cash. Duck eggs scarce, and prices go from 26/- to 28/- per 120; cold storage, repicked qualities, hen eggs arein good demand at 19/- to 19/6 for best descriptions, and 17/- to 17/6 secondary. With regard to badly picked, dirty and stale eggs, Government inspectors are commencing to busy themselves, and country dealers will have to be very careful in future under the working of the Act, which carries heavy penalties with reference to transgressions under that Act where dealt with by the Department. Dublin merchants have recently been notified that they will be liable to fines, and probably confiscation of any produce in dirty or other unsatisfactory state, as described by the conditions of the Act. Already some shipping consignments have been confiscated, and it will, therefore, be risky for country dealers to send forward any such consignments of eggs, as they are sure now to be refused by leading merchants, and may come conspicuously under the Department's observation.

CORK BUTTER.—Quiet tone; downward tendency continues. Creameries 179/- to 184/- per cwt., choicest mild 175/-.

IRISH BUTTER QUOTATION.—The Irish Dairy (Producers and Shippers) Association have fixed for the week ending Thursday next, 24th December, 176/- per cwt. for choicest salted butter in boxes, wholesale, nett, free on rail, Ireland. Special dairies extra.

DUBLIN FISH.—Market of fish on the heavy side, and of some kinds, especially herrings and mackerel, rather glutted. Trade fair; prices generally easier. A steamer brought in 124 boxes of mixed stuff; over 300 boxes of herrings and 100 of mackerel in for early sales. Lobsters scarce and averaged 6d., 1/6, and 1/10 each; turbot 1/- to 10/- and 12/6; brill 6d. to 3/- each; best soles 30/- to 40/- and 50/- per 9 pairs, mediums 15/- to 25/-, slips, etc., 2/6 to 5/- and 10/- per lot; half boxes plaice 60/- to 90/- and 100/-; dabs, etc., 30/- to 50/-; white soles 15/- to 25/- and 30/-; haddock, small, around 20/-; codfish 16/- to 30/-, and prime 50/- to 60/-; pollock 15/- to 17/-, whiting 9/- to 12/-, 20/- and 30/-, ray 20/- to 27/-; herrings went 3/6 to 5/-, 8/- and 10/-; mackerel averaged 7/- to 8/- and 12/6.

BILLINGSGATE FISH.—Supply fair; demand good. Soles 17d. to 20d., slips 15d. to 19d. per lb.; live eels 16/- to 28/-, dead 10/- to 25/- per draught; turbot 15/- to 19/-, brill 12/- to 14/-, plaice 11/- to 15/-, halibut 14/- to 20/-, lemon soles 13/- to 19/-, whitebas 10/- to 14/-, whiting 4/- to 7/-, hake 9/- to 13/-, skate 6/- to 7/-, cod 4/- to 8/-, haddocks 5/- to 7/- per stone.

MANCHESTER DEAD MEAT.—Home-killed beef—Best sides 9½d., seconds 8½d. to 9d. Best hoggs 11d. to 1/-, best lambs 1/1 to 1/2, ewes 8½d.; pork 1/2 to 1/3; calves 7d. to 1/1. Chilled beef—Hindquarters 6½d. to 6¾d., forequarters 4½d. to 4¾d. Mutton—Wethers 5½d. to 6½d., ewes 4½d. to 5½d., lambs 8d. to 11½d.

PRODUCE.

LONDON.—SUGAR—There was a moderate demand for British refined at late prices. Imported descriptions quiet on former terms. Only quiet support was accorded forward positions, but sellers asked steady prices. White terminal steady; December quoted 13/9, March sold 14/2¼ to 14/3, May 14/6¾ to 14/7½, August 15/0½. COFFEE—Spot firm for all desirable classes. TEA—Private contract market quite firm, with a good inquiry for the commoner parcels. RICE remains slow for Eastern grain on large Burma crop estimate. SPICE—Pepper in demand and firmer forward; Lampong f.a.q. January-March sold 1 6½, Singapore black ditto 1/6, 1/6½, and 1/5½, Muntok L.S. 1/9½. JUTE—Market lower; firsts November-December sold £55 5/-, December-January £55 10/-, January-February £56, February-March £56 5/-. HEMP—Manila higher; J December-January sold £44. COPRA—Market quiet and slightly easier. PALM KERNELS January-March quoted £21 6/3.

RUBBER in fair demand and firmer, but very unsettled. Plantation standard spot sold 4/2½ to 4/-, December 4/2 to 4/-, January-March 3/11½ to 3/9½, April-June 3/8 to 3/6½. OILS—Linseed flat; spot quoted 35/-, January-April sold 33/9, May-August 33/6. Cotton dull; crude Egyptian spot 36/6, Bombay 35/6, common edible 43/. Rape dull; crude spot 48/6, refined 51/6. Cocoanut quiet; Ceylon spot pipes 48/-, forward 47/3. Turpentine firmer; American spot 64/-, January-April 65/- per cwt. Petroleum steady; American standard white spot 1/-, water white 1/1 per gallon. OILSEEDS—Linseed dull and easier for La Plata descriptions; Calcutta to London December-January sellers £20 10/-, April-May new £18 18/9, Plate to Hull December-January sold £17 2/6, January-February £17 to £16 17/6, February-March £17 to £16 17/6. Rapeseed steady, quiet; Toria to Continent December-January £21 2/6, real bold Ferozepore ditto £20 15/-, brown Cawnpore £20 2/6. Cottonseed dull; Egyptian black January sellers £9 10/-, white ditto £8 17/6, Bombay December-January old £7 12/6, new January-February £8 2/6 per ton. Castor dull; Bombay to Hull December-January sellers £19 5/-, January-February £19 2/6 per ton. Others quiet, unaltered.

LIVERPOOL WHITE SUGAR TERMINAL.—Morning and Afternoon—December 13/8¼ value, 13/8¼ value; March 14/2¼ value, 14/3¼ sellers, 14/1¼ buyers; May 14/6¾ value, 14/7½ value; August 15/0½ value, 15/1½ sellers, 15/0¼ buyers; September 15/2¼ value, 15/3¼ sellers, 15/1½ buyers. Tone dull. Tone steady. Tate's and Lyle's quotations yesterday:—Crystals—No. 1 30/6, small No. 1 30/-, No. 2 28/9, bright 28/7½. Granulated—Standard 28/6. H.T.S. 28/7½, coarse 28/10½, fine 28/10½ ex refinery Liverpool, less 1½ p.c. discount. Cubes ex refinery in London—First quality 31/9, H.T.S. 31/6, afternoon tea 32/6, less 1½ p.c. discount.

CLYDE CRUSHED SUGAR.—The market is quieter, but there is a steady undertone. Quotations are nominally unchanged.

MISCELLANEOUS.

LIVERPOOL COTTON. — American futures opened firmer on improved overnight advices from New York, and further strengthened during the morning on trade calling and bear covering; reacted in the afternoon owing to easier American cables, and closed quiet, but steady. Spot sales 5,000 bales, including 500 bales for export. American futures—Tendency steady: Dec., 9.56d.; Jan., 9.56d.; Feb., 9.55d.; March, 9.59d.; April, 9.58d.; May, 9.63d.; June, 9.61d.; July, 9.63d.; Aug., 9.54d.; Sept., 9.52d.; Oct., 9.46d.; Nov., 9.41d.; Dec., 9.39d. Egyptian futures (basis F.G.F. Sakellaridis)—Tendency quiet, steady; Dec., 16.25d.; Jan., 16.00d.; Feb., 15.97d.; March, 15.95d.; Nov., 15.50d. New York 11 a.m. prices—Jan., 18.58d.; March, 18.82d.; May, 18.61d.; July, 18.27d.

MANCHESTER TRADE.—In the very uncertain state of the market cloth buyers are extremely cautious, untempted by the low level at which supplies may be obtained. India places few orders of weight in any description. South America and the Colonies do a little, but secondary outlets uniformly quiet. Yarn situation very un-satisfactory for both home and export.

DUBLIN HAY AND STRAW (Smithfield).—With the clearing off of frost and normal facilities for road transport restored, a fuller and earlier market of fodder gathered in here yesterday morning. Trade ruled fair all round at a general reduction in prices of, say, 3d. per cwt. on hay from Tuesday. In view of there being only one market here next week—viz., Tuesday—and possible climatic interruption, sellers had no difficulty in making a ready clearance of all useful descriptions of horse and cow hay. Prime first crop hay 6/- to 6/3 per cwt., second and third crop 5/3 to 5/9, best old meadow 4/9 to 5/3, fair 4/3 to 4/6, other sorts 3/- to 4/-. Good supply of straw, and steadily, although slowly sold out; wheaten 4/6 to 4/9, and a few extra loads 5/- per cwt.; oaten 4/- to 4/3 and 4/6 per cwt.; baled straw 3/9 per cwt.

LONDON METALS MARKET.

TIN DEARER.

TIN market irregular on balance, and a fairly good business transpired. Cash settled down 20/- to 25/- and forward positions 7/6 per ton dearer compared with previous close. Standard cash quoted £281 15/- to £282 5/-, three months £277 2/6 to £277 7/6; settlement price £282. 750 tons changed hands; cash at £280 to £282 5/- and £282, three months £276 to £275 10/- and £277 5/-, and finally £277 2/6. English ingots quoted £281 to £281 10/-. COPPER also firmer, while in good support, cash advancing 7/6 and forward 5/- per ton compared with the closing rates of Thursday last. Standard cash quoted £60 to £60 2/6, three months £61 to £61 2/6; settlement price £60. 1,300 tons sold; cash at £59 13/9 to £59 15/-, three months £60 15/- to £61 2/6. Electros quoted £66 to £66 5/-, B.S. £64 to £65 5/-, B.S. £90, wire bars £66 5/-. LEAD firm, with dealings on a liberal scale. 1,200 tons sold; good soft foreign pig sold December at £34 17/6 to £34 13/9 and £34 15/-, January £34 13/-, February £34 10/-, March £34 10/- to £34 7/6, and again at £34 10/-; settlement price £34 15/-. English quoted £36. SPELTER dearer, and sellers more reserved. 850 tons sold; December at £38 10/-, January £38 5/- to £38 7/6, February £37 17/6, April £37 3/6; settlement price £38 10/- per ton. QUICKSILVER unaltered. TIN PLATES quiet; I.C. cokes forward quoted 19/6 to 20/- per box f.o.b. Swansea. ANTIMONY firm; English spot quoted £90 to £95 per ton.

GLASGOW IRON AND STEEL.—Business in pig-iron continues dull, orders only covering small quantities. Prices, however, remain fairly steady. Makers of corrugated and galvanised sheets continue busy, output being chiefly for export. The demand for black sheets has fallen off to some extent. Makers report fresh orders difficult to obtain. Foundry iron is in small request.

FAT STOCK PRICES IN DUBLIN.

Average prices per cwt., live weight, of cattle, sheep and lambs in the Dublin Market:—

Fat Cattle.

Year	17th Dec. s.	d.	10th Dec. s.	d.	3rd Dec. s.	d.
1925	48	0	48	6	46	6
At corresponding dates in previous years.						
1924	51	6	48	3	47	6
1923	47	6	45	9	43	0
1920	93	0	90	0	89	0
1916	63	3	58	6	55	6
1914	40	9	39	0	36	9

	Fat Sheep.				Fat Lambs.			
Year.	17th Dec. s.	d.	10th Dec. s.	d.	17th Dec. s.	d.	10th Dec. s.	d.
1925	55	3	54	0	58	3	61	3
At corresponding dates in previous years.								
1924	67	9	59	3	61	3	67	3
1923	68	0	58	0	60	0	62	0
1920	106	6	100	6	103	0	115	0
1916	59	3	56	3	58	3	60	9
1914	41	3	40	6	45	3	37	6

ESTATE WORTH HALF A MILLION.

SEARCH FOR TESTATOR'S DESCENDANTS.

An interesting story was told in the Chancery Division, London, on Thursday, when Mr. Justice Romer had before him a summons issued by Lord Cloncurry, of Lyons, County Kildare, and Mr. J. C. F. Heriz Smith, the present trustees of the will of Mr. Quintin Dick, who died in 1858. The respondents were: Mr. Mark Toomey Fenton, of Knockreagh, Co. Wicklow, who claimed to be beneficially interested in the testator's estate, and Messrs. William Henry Barrett and Theobald Butler Barrett, who are in Canada. Mr. W. H. Barrett claimed to be beneficially interested in the estate of Mrs. Mary Barrett.

Mr. J. W. Manning, K.C., for the trustees, said that the object of the summons was to ascertain who was entitled to the testator's residuary estate, which was worth probably a good deal more than half-a-million pounds, and also who was entitled under limitations in favour of the male issue of Mrs. Barrett, the testator's aunt, who died more than 100 years ago. In October, last year, his Lordship ordered inquiries to be made for claimants to the testator's estate, it being thought there were no male descendants of Mrs. Barrett. It was found, however, that there were a good many still alive.

The story of the search for the descendants was a romance, because when it began there was absolutely nothing to base it on. One of the discoveries that put the inquirers on the right track was of some letters written in the 40's by a Mr. Hugh Massey Barrett, who addressed the testator as "my kinsman."

Mr. T. R. Hughes, K.C., for Mr. W. H. Barrett, said that he did not think it was disputed that his client was entitled to some part of the testator's residuary estate.

After some discussion the summons was adjourned until the next sittings for further parties to be added.

HEALTH INSURANCE.

PROTEST AGAINST UNIFICATION OF SOCIETIES.

The General Council of the Union Friendly Society (Ireland) has passed a resolution protesting strongly against the proposal to unify all approved societies in the Free State, as suggested by the interim report of the Committee on Health Insurance and Medical Services.

The Council states that unification would not be in the best interests of insured persons; that it would not bring the economy expected; and that it would abolish one of the best mediums for the encouragement of thrift.

YESTERDAY'S CASES IN THE COURTS.

LADY RUSSELL'S LIBEL ACTION.

CONSENT TO SETTLEMENT.

(BEFORE MR. JUSTICE SULLIVAN AND MR. JUSTICE O'SHAUGHNESSY.)

In the case of Dame Martha Russell against Joseph Stanley and William Balfe,

Mr. Black (instructed by Mr. John Moran) moved on behalf of the plaintiff (widow of Sir Thomas W. Russell) to have a consent to the settlement of the action received and made a rule of court.

Counsel said that the action was brought for libel, and the consent provided that the defendants, as publishers of the paper *Honesty*, unreservedly withdrew the statements published in the issue of that journal of the 2nd May, 1925, entitled "A Queer Story." The statements were:—"Rumour is a lying jade; all the more reason, therefore, that when rumour tells a queer story, the person about whom it is told should be given a chance to reply. There is a story going to the effect that, in response to a message, the Labour Exchange officials sent a woman a few days ago to the Hotel Russell, Dublin, where there was a vacancy for a worker. All reference having been found satisfactory and the wages being agreed upon, the applicant was asked her religion. 'Oh,' said the person who held the inquisition, 'we do not want a Catholic,' and so the poor woman is still idle. That is the story as it reached us. We do not vouch for the truth of it."

Mr. Black stated that the defendants offered a full and ample apology to the plaintiff on account of the publication, admitted that there was no truth in the story, and that it should not have been published; and they expressed their regret for any annoyance or inconvenience that might have been caused to the plaintiff. The defendants also agreed to pay to the plaintiff all costs in connection with the matter, and that the consent be made a rule of court at the defendants' expense.

Mr. Nolan-Whelan (instructed by Messrs. Noyk and O'Reilly), who appeared for the defendants, said that, on their behalf, he repeated the apology. They had an ample apology in the next number. There was no substance in the statements.

Mr. Justice Sullivan—It is a very cruel libel to publish, and I think the defendants are getting very lightly out of it.

Mr. Justice O'Shaughnessy—From what I know of Lady Russell, she would be incapable of that.

Mr. Black—I think that is admitted on all sides. There was no intention of making any money out of it.

Mr. Nolan-Whelan—We remedied it as soon as we could—in the very next issue.

The consent was received and made a rule of court.

STRANDED GERMAN SHIP.

AN ORDER FOR SALE.

In the matter of the German sailing ship, Hamburg, of Hamburg,

Mr. Bewley (instructed by Messrs. Arthur Cox and Co.), on behalf of Hans J. Volquardsen, master of the ship, applied for an order certifying that the master is entitled to sell the ship, in accordance with Section 530 of Book 4 of the Marine Laws of the German Empire.

Counsel read a number of affidavits in support of the motion, one of which, by the master of the ship, stated that the ship sailed from Sydney on the 29th May, 1925. On the 29th October, 1925, the ship, in a heavy storm, made Dublin Bay, and at 3 p.m. took on board the Dublin pilot and cast anchor. The chains parted, and eventually the vessel stranded north of the entrance to Dublin, on a sandy bottom, the crew being taken off by the Kingstown lifeboat. Every effort was made to get the vessel off, but largely owing to the heavy weather which prevailed, it was not possible until the 20th November, for her to be towed into dry dock. The cargo had in the meantime been discharged, and on the 11th December the vessel was berthed at the South Wall, Dublin. A certificate was given by Mr. Charles E. Roffey and James Dorman, consulting engineer and marine surveyor, to the effect that the value of the vessel on the 9th April, 1925, being the date when she was lying in the graving dock at Melbourne, was £5,000, and that the hull and equipment of the vessel are substantially damaged, and estimating the cost of the permanent repairs to exceed the vessel's sound value at the commencement of her voyage. By the Marine Law of the German Empire, a vessel is deemed to be unseaworthy and unworthy of repair in the event of the cost of repair, without deduction of the difference in value as between an old ship and a new ship, amounts to more than three-fourths of its original value, and the master of the vessel is only entitled to sell the vessel in the case of pressing necessity, and only subject to the finding on that behalf of the local Court of competent jurisdiction after hearing all the facts, and with the assent of the local German Consul.

Mr. Bewley said that the German Consul had consented to the sale, and an order of the Court was now necessary.

The Court granted the application.

ALLEGED SLANDER OF TITLE.

MOTION TO REMIT REFUSED.

In an action of Thomas Golden, of Manorhamilton, draper, against Joseph Bredin, merchant, in the same town,

Mr. Ryan (instructed by Messrs. Lonsdale and Co.) applied on behalf of the defendant for an order remitting the action to the Circuit Court at Manorhamilton. The action is for £1,000 damages for alleged slander of the title of the plaintiff's house and premises in the town of Manorhamilton, and for damages for alleged conspiracy to injure the plaintiff by preventing the sale of the plaintiff's lock-up shop, and for an injunction restraining the defendant and his servants from obstructing or preventing the plaintiff in the sale of the property. The dispute between the parties was detailed in long affidavits, in which religion was introduced and allegations made and denied.

Mr. Justice Sullivan said that counsel had said everything that could be said in support of the motion, but the Court did not think it necessary to call on counsel for the plaintiff. The Court could not send a case of this kind, they thought, to the Circuit Court, having regard to the principle laid down in such cases in the Supreme Court. The application, therefore, would be refused, with costs.

Mr. Fergus O'Connor (instructed by Mr. P. O'Flynn) appeared for the plaintiff.

WORKHOUSE PORTER'S PENSION.

COUNCIL'S APPEAL DISMISSED.

(BEFORE THE CHIEF JUSTICE, MR. JUSTICE FITZGIBBON and MR. JUSTICE MURNAGHAN.)

Judgment was given by a majority in favour of the plaintiff in the case of Nee v. Galway County Council, in the appeal brought by the defendants from a judgment of Mr. Justice Johnston for the plaintiff, a porter in the Oughterard Workhouse, for £27 odd, in respect of a pension, to which he held the plaintiff was entitled, at the rate of £85 per annum. The plaintiff in the action claimed that the pension was awarded him by the Guardians in 1921, and that £122 was due when the writ was served.

In support of the appeal, it was submitted that the judge had misdirected himself on a point of law in holding that the plaintiff had been granted any pension exceeding £25, within Section 2 (4) of the Local Government (Temporary Pensions) Act, 1923, and that the pension was not legally or validly granted by the Guardians, as they could only make a recommendation.

The Chief Justice held that the plaintiff had no cause of action; that the superannuation, if any, depended upon Circular 52 of Dail Eireann, but that circular had not been proved, and consequently there was no resolution on which any action could be brought.

Mr. Justice FitzGibbon and Mr. Justice Murnaghan held that at the date when the pension was fixed the Guardians were acting under the Local Government Act of 1919; that their power was never taken away so far as superannuation was concerned, and they had passed a resolution and given a certificate that the pension was to be £85 odd. Under the provisions of the Local Government Act of 1923 an application was made by the County Council for the revision of the pension, and the amount was reduced to £35 from 1st April, 1923.

There was, however, an express provision in the Act that did not interfere with any pension granted for any period before the passing of the Act. They were, therefore, of opinion that the pension of £85 was rightly granted, there being no evidence of any pension of £25 having been granted at all.

The appeal was accordingly dismissed, and Mr. Justice Johnston's decision, giving judgment for the plaintiff for £27 12s. 4d., was affirmed, with costs.

Mr. Leonard, K.C., Mr. Wood, K.C., and Mr. Conor A. Maguire (instructed by Mr. Louis E. O'Dea) appeared for the appellants and defendants; and Mr. Dickie, K.C., Mr. Geoghegan, K.C., and Mr. J. Geraghty (instructed by Messrs. Little, O hUadhaigh and Proud) for the respondent and plaintiff.

QUEENSTOWN RIGHT OF WAY.

JUDGMENT IN APPEAL.

Judgment was given by a majority in favour of the plaintiff in the case of Sullivan v. Murray, in the appeal by the defendants from a judgment of Mr. Justice Meredith, in December, 1924, in favour of the plaintiff, in the action in reference to a right of way claimed by the defendants over the plaintiff's property, situated at Spy Hill, Queenstown, and known as "Carrickmore," on Lord Barrymore's estate. The plaintiff, Mr. William Cox Langford Sullivan, resides at "Carrickmore"; and defendants, Mrs. Mary Murray and Mr. Patrick O'Regan, her stepson, claimed a right of way from their residence at "Mayfield," in the same locality, over an avenue at "Carrickmore" and through a wicket-gate on to the Admiral Lake road.

The plaintiff's case was that no such right-of-way ever existed, and that was supported by the evidence of the late Lord Barrymore, taken on commission, and of Mr. Kirkby, a former tenant.

The Chief Justice and Mr. Justice Murnaghan (Mr. Justice FitzGibbon dissenting) held that no right-of-way had been established. The appeal was accordingly dismissed, with costs.

Mr. Battersby, K.C., Mr. Price, K.C., and Mr. Hungerford (instructed by Messrs. A. H. Allen and Son) appeared for the plaintiff; and Mr. Frank FitzGibbon, K.C., and Mr. J. M. Fitzgerald, K.C. (instructed by Messrs. M. J. Horgan and Son) for the defendants.

LEASE OF RATHMINES PREMISES.

APPEAL DISMISSED.

(BEFORE THE CHIEF JUSTICE, MR. JUSTICE FITZGIBBON AND MR. JUSTICE MURNAGHAN.)

Reserved judgment was delivered in the appeal brought by the defendant in the case of Horan v. Kelly from so much of the judgment of Mr. Justice Meredith as was in favour of the plaintiff. The action was brought by Mrs. M. P. Horan against Mr. Peter J. Kelly for specific performance of an alleged agreement for a lease of certain business premises belonging to the plaintiff at 2 Wynnefield road, Rathmines. Mr. Justice Meredith refused to grant specific performance, but declared that under the agreement, *inter alia*, the defendant purchased the goodwill of the business for £200, and took a letting of the shop on the ground floor, with a partitioned-off parlour and a bedroom on the first floor, for one year, and also that he had the option of purchasing. He directed that the defendant should give up possession, pay £30 for the stock-in-trade taken over, and also pay £16, the sum paid by her to Messrs. MacArthur in connection with an abandoned auction of the premises. He dismissed the defendant's counter-claim with respect to alleged misrepresentation.

The Chief Justice, in dissenting, pointed out that the case presented many difficulties, mainly on account of the fact that there was no official note of the judge's judgment or of the reasons for which he arrived at his decision. Having reviewed the facts of the case, his Lordship said that he was of opinion that the order made by Mr. Justice Meredith was in reality an order that there should be specific performance of the agreement alleged by the plaintiff for a lease not exceeding fifteen years, the rent to be at the rate of £100 a year, one year's rent to be paid in advance. He believed that was the most reasonable interpretation of the order; and he thought the result of the evidence was that the parties had agreed that the defendant should take a lease of the shop and bedroom for a term not exceeding fifteen years. He was of opinion that the order should be varied and that the appeal should be dismissed.

Mr. Justice FitzGibbon and Mr. Justice Murnaghan, in their judgments, held that the agreement was not an agreement for fifteen years, but only an agreement for one year.

Mr. Justice FitzGibbon made the order of the Court, which was that the order for possession made by Mr. Justice Meredith should be dismissed, and that his order allowing the costs of the action and of the counter-claim of the plaintiff should be varied by allowing her such costs as she would be entitled to for recovering the sum of £30 and £16 17s. 1d. and the costs of the counter-claim, and that the defendant be allowed the costs incurred by the plaintiff for specific performance; both parties to abide their own costs of the appeal.

Mr. Price, K.C., and Mr. Moonan (instructed by Mr. Mackenzie) appeared for the appellant; and Mr. W. J. Shannon, K.C., and Mr. Moloney (instructed by Messrs. Porter, Morris and Co.) for the respondent.

DUBLIN DISTRICT COURT

GOVERNMENT RECORDS.

LIFT ATTENDANT UNDER SUSPICION.

(BEFORE MR. E. J. LITTLE.)

John Joseph Green (29), Elliot place, described as a lift attendant in Government Buildings, Upper Merrion street, was charged with attempting to set fire to certain records which were stored in a corridor in the basement of the offices of the Department of Agriculture, with intent to damage documents and buildings, the property of the Government of the Irish Free State.

Mr. P. H. O'Brien defended.

Guard Cunningham (30 A), attached to the Detective Division, gave evidence that on the 25th ult. a report was received by the police, in consequence of which he was detailed to take up duty in the offices of the Department of Agriculture in Upper Merrion street. Between one and two o'clock yesterday afternoon he was concealed in a corridor in the basement beside the lift shaft. The lift had not descended to the basement while he had been there. The place was lighted by electric lamps.

He saw the prisoner come down the steps and move the gangway to one side. The prisoner struck a match and ignited a piece of paper which he had in his hand. At this particular part of the corridor records were piled up on both sides of the passage—some in file boxes and others loose.

When the witness approached him the prisoner ran away. He pursued him to a lavatory in Room 39, on the third floor, brought him back to the basement and asked him what he had been doing there. The prisoner replied that he was only lighting a cigarette. The witness searched him and found two whole cigarettes and one partly smoked cigarette in his pockets. Later on the prisoner said that he went to the basement to "settle the lift."

Cross-examined by Mr. O'Brien, the witness said that the lift machinery was in the basement and that prisoner was in charge of it. The piece of paper which the prisoner lighted was a piece which he had brought down with him. It was not part of the records, and he (the witness) knew that it was not a cigarette. The prisoner did not know that he (the witness) was there or that he was a policeman.

The prisoner was remanded till Tuesday next.

TRANSFER OF LICENCE.

(BEFORE MR. CUSSEN.)

The licence attached to the premises No. 14 Winetavern street was transferred from Mary Ellen Delaney to Arthur McManus, on the application of Mr. John Ryan (Messrs. James O'Connor and Co.).

Mr. James Brady, solicitor, applied for, and was granted, an exemption order in respect of the annual dinner of the "D" Company 7th Dublin Fusiliers ("Pals'" Battalion), which takes place to-night at the Dolphin Hotel.

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL.

The last of the present series of special sermons in Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin, in connection with the Church of Ireland Home Mission Society will be preached at the afternoon Service (3.30 o'clock) to-morrow by the Rev. A. E. Hughes, Rector of Christ Church, Leeson Park, Dublin. The subject will be "The Eternal Christ."

ST. STEPHEN'S CHURCH.

A special musical Service will be held in St. Stephen's Church, Dublin, on Tuesday next at 8 p.m., when the Christmas selection from the "Messiah" and carols will be rendered by the choir.

SERVICES AND ANTHEMS.

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT.

St. Patrick's Cathedral.—8, Holy Communion. 11.15, Matins. Psalms 11, 12, 13; Te Deum, Jubilate, Smart in F. Anthems, etc.—"Seek ye the Lord" (Roberts); Hymn 402, "Ten thousand times ten thousand." Preacher, the Rev. J. C. Forrester, M.A., Prebendary of Swords. 12.15, Holy Communion (Choral). Kyrie, Credo (Merbecke); Sanctus, Gloria, Stewart in G. Offertory, 4, Stainer; Hymn during Communion, 351, "Be Thou my vision." 3.15, Decani Week. Psalm 94; Cant. D. Deus M., Stewart in E flat. Anthems, etc.—1st, "O Lord and ruler" (Stainer); Hymn 69, "Hark the glad sound"; 2nd, "The sorrows of death" ... "The night is departing" (Mendelssohn). Preacher, the Rev. J. C. Forrester, M.A., Prebendary of Swords.

Christ Church Cathedral.—10.30, Matins: Psalms 11, 13; Jubilate, Stewart in G. 11, Ordination; Processional Hymn, 555. Holy Communion Somervell in F. Preacher, His Grace the Archbishop of Dublin. Hymns 209, 253, 168, 204. 3.30, Evensong; Processional Hymn, 510; Psalm 94; Magn and Nunc Dim., Stewart in G; Anthem, "Blessing, glory" (Bach); Hymn 73; Recessional Hymn, 62. Preacher, Rev. A. E. Hughes, M.A.

Royal Hospital, Kilmainham.—11, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion.

St. Ann's Church.—8 and 11.30, Holy Communion. 10 and 11.30, Rev. J. W. Crozier. 3.30 and 7, Rev. J. J. Longheed.

St. Bartholomew's, Clyde road.—8, Holy Communion. 11, Matins, Rev. Walter Simpson. 12, Sung Eucharist. 3.30, Young People's Service. 6.30, Litany. 7, Evensong, Rev. Brian Tundy.

St. Stephen's.—8, Holy Communion. 10, Matins and Sermon. 11.30, Matins, Rev. Dr. White; Holy Communion (Dykes in F). 4, Children's Service. 7, Evensong; Church Parade of Girl Guides and Brownies; the Bishop of Tuam. Short Organ Recital after Evensong.

Christ Church, Leeson Park.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Rev. C. B. Armstrong. 3.30, Children's Service. 7, Carol Service; Offerings for Parish Poor Fund.

St. Columba's Church, Ranelagh.—8 and 11.30, Holy Communion. 11.30, Rev. H. Turner. 7, Rev. W. Bell.

Rathmines Parish Church.—8 and 11.30, Holy Communion. 10 and 11.30, Canon Thompson. 3.30, Young People's Service. 7, Rev. E. C. Hodges.

Magdalen Church.—11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion. 7, Carol Service.

St. Peter's.—8 and 11.30, Holy Communion. 11.30, Canon A. H. Neile. 3.30, Young People's Service. 4, Men's Bible Class, 43 York street. 7, Carol Service.

St. Audoen's.—11.30, Rev. J. Tobias. 7, Rev. C. R. Caffry.

Mission to the Deaf, St. Ann's.—2.15, Holy Communion.

St. George's.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Holy Communion, Rev. J. T. Cummins. 7, Dr. Shaw.

St. Aidan's.—11.30, Holy Communion, Rev. E. Dawson. 3.30, Children's Service. 7, Rev. J. T. Cummins.

St. Augustine's.—11.30, Rev. C. J. Tyndall. 3.30, Children's Service. 7, Rev. E. Dawson.

The Free Church.—11.30, Holy Communion, Dr. Shaw. 7, Rev. R. K. Flewett.

St. Kevin's, S.C. road.—11.30, Rev. R. Bird. 3.30, Children's Service. 7, Rev. E. M. Bateman.

St. Mary's Parish Church.—11 and 7, Rev. Gage Dougherty.

St. Mary's Chapel of Ease.—11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion, Rev. Gage Dougherty. 3.30, Service for Young People.

Molyneux Church, Bride street.—11.30, Morning Prayer. 7, Evening Prayer and Holy Communion, Rev. A. Morrow.

Irish Church Missions, Townsend street.—11.30 and 7, Rev. T. C. Hammond.

Drumcondra Parish.—8, Holy Communion. 12, Rev. T. J. Johnston. 4, Children's Carol Service. 7, Carol Service.

North Strand Parish.—11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion, Canon Lewis-Crosby. 7, Canon Connell.

St. Catherine's.—11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion. 7, Rev. S. Purser Shortt.

St. Victor's.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion, Rev. J. Purser Shortt. 4, Young People's Service. 7, Canon Thompson.

St. Michan's.—11.30, Rev. R. Saunderson Griffin.

St. Paul's.—11.30, Holy Communion, Rev. C. Dowse. 7, Rev. E. J. Young.

St. Mark's.—11.30, Morning Prayer an dHoly Communion, Rev. J. Carson. 7, Rev. H. Donald.

St. Werburgh's Parish Church.—9, Holy Communion. 11.15 and 3.30, Rev. W. J. McCreery. 7, Rev. J. L. Atkinson.

St. Andrew's Church.—11.30, Morning Prayer: Rev. R. Northridge. 3.30, Children's Service. 7, Holy Communion: Rev. F. A. Elliott.

All Saints' Church, Grangegorman.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Matins and Holy Communion (Choral), Rev. C. G. Craddock. 3.30, Children's Service. 7, Rev. Dr. McNeile.

St. Thomas's Church.—11.30 and 4, Rev. D. H. Hall. 7, Rev. John Carson.

St. Barnabas's Church.—11.30 and 4, Rev. H. W. Donald. 7, Rev. D. H. Hall.

St James's Parish Church.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Rev. A. E. Hughes. 7, Rev. P. Colthurst.

St. James's District Church.—11.30, Holy Communion, Rev. E. M. Bateman. 3.30, Rev. P. Colthurst. 7, Rev. R. Bird.

Tullow Parish Church, Carrickmines.—11.30, Matins and Holy Communion. 6, Evensong and Carols.

St. Philip's Church, Milltown.—11.30, Morning Prayer and Litany, the Rector. 3.30, Children's Service. 7, Evening Prayer and Holy Communion, Canon Harden.

All Saints', Raheny.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Morning Service, Rev. F. C. Long. 6.30, Evening Service, Rev. F. C. Long.

SS. Philip's and James's, Booterstown.—8.15, Holy Communion. 11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion, Rev. T. A. Harvey. 7, Rev. W. W. Johnston.

Monkstown Church.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion. 3.30, Children's Service. 7, Evening Prayer and Carols.

Clontarf Parish Church.—11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion, Canon Connell. 3.30, Children's Service. 7, Evening Prayer and Carols. Rev. N. D. Emerson.

Christ Church, Kingstown.—8.30 and 11.30, Holy Communion. 11.30, Morning Prayer. 7, Choral Evensong.

Zion Church, Rathgar.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Holy Communion, Rev. L. Parkinson Hill. 3.30, Children's Carol Service. 7, Carol Service.

Harold's Cross Parish Church.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion. 3.30, Children's Service. 7, Carols.

Rathfarnham Parish Church.—11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion, Rev. W. J. Hanan. 3.30, Children's Service. 7, Evening Prayer.

Sandford Parish Church.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion, Rev. W. N. Harvey. 3.30, Children's Service. 7, Christmas Carols.

Dalkey Parish Church.—8.30, Holy Communion. 11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion, Rev. C. S. Collins. 3.30, Children's Service. 7, Carol Service.

All Saints', Blackrock.—8, Holy Communion. 11.30, Matins and Holy Communion. 7, Carol Service. Collection for St. Dunstan's.

Christ Church, Blackrock.—11.30, Morning Prayer and Holy Communion, Rev. G. R. Elliott. 7, Evening Prayer and Holy Communion, Rev. R. Northridge.

Greystones.—11.30, Holy Communion. 6.30, Carol Service.

PRESBYTERIAN CHURCHES.

Abbey Church, Rutland square.—11.45 and 7, Dr. Denham Osborne.

Adelaide Road.—11.30 and 7, Rev. R. K. Hanna.

St. Andrew's, Blackrock.—11.30 and 7, Rev. J. Snowdon.

St. Andrew's, Bray.—11.30 and 7, Dr. M'Kee.

Chapelizod.—4.30, Rev. A. Gailey.

Clontarf.—11.30 and 7, Rev. J. L. Morrow.

Donore.—11.30 and 7, Rev. T. C. G. Clements.

Greystones.—11.30 and 7, Rev. W. S. Kirkpatrick.

Howth.—11.30, Rev. J. M'Caughey (Christmas Service). 7, Dr. Carrothers (United Service).

Kingstown.—11.30, Rev. J. Sinclair Stevenson. 7, Rev. G. Allen.

Lucan.—11.30 and 7, Rev. A. Gailey.

Malahide.—4, Rev. J. M'Caughey (Christmas Service).

Ormond Quay.—12 and 7, Rev. T. Byers.

Rathgar (Christ Church).—11.30 and 7, Rev. J. J. Macaulay.

Sandymount.—11.30 and 7, Rev. J. Crockett.

United Free Church of Scotland (Lower Abbey st.).—12 noon and 7, Rev. A. H. Macpherson.

Presbyterian Association, 16 St. Stephen's Green.—4.30, Young Men's Bible Ctudy Circle.

Dublin Presbytery's City Mission.—Whitefriar Street Hall, 6½ Whitefriar street—3, Sabbath School. 4.30, Evangelistic Service; speaker, Mr. Logan.

North Strand Hall.—8.15 p.m., Evangelistic Service; Mr. Logan.

Presbyterian Mission (Covenanters), 9 Anglesea street.—The usual weekly meeting for Bible Study, Monday evening, 8 o'clock. Leader—Mr. H. Horstead.

Welsh Church, Talbot street.—English Services, 11.30; Mr. J. Lyons Egan. 6.30, Rev. J. E. Hutton.

METHODIST CHURCHES.

Charleston road.—11.30 and 7, Rev. R. Lee Cole.

Brighton road.—11.30 and 7, Rev. J. A. Duke.

Kingstown.—11.30 and 7, Rev. A. E. Carson.

Dalkey.—11.30 and 7, Rev R. J. Elliott.

Blackrock.—11.30 and 7, Rev. Benson E. Gentleman.

Sandymount.—11.30 and 7, Rev. J. England.

Ringsend.—11.30 and 7, Rev. W. L. Coale.

Clontarf.—11.30, Dr. Carrothers. 7, Rev. W. J. Christie.

Sutton.—11.30, Mr. Frank MacDonald. 7, Dr. Carrothers. United Service in Presbyterian Church.

Centenary, St. Stephen's Green.—11.30, Rev. W. I. Oliver. 7, Christmas Carol Service.

Kingsland Park.—11.30, Rev. J. W. B. Campbell. 7, Rev. W. B. Lumley.

Dolphin's Barn.—11.30 and 7, Rev. H. H. Cornish.

OTHER CHURCHES AND HALLS.

Moravian Church, Lower Kevin street.—11.30, Rev. J. E. Hutton.

Kingstown Congregational Church.—11.30 and 7, Rev. S. Henderson.

Congregational Church, York street.—11.30, Rev. J. Bruce Wallace.

Kilmainham Congregational Church.—11.30 and 7, Rev. Philip Davis.

Baptist Church, Phibsborough.—11.30 and 7, Pastor C. J. Mates.

Baptist Tabernacle, Kingstown.—11.30, Mr. A. W. Tweedall. 7, Pastor J. D. Gilmore.

Baptist Church, Harcourt street.—11.30, Morning Service. 7, Baptismal Service; Pastor Louis E. Deens.

Claremont Mission Hall, Claremont road.—8.30 p.m., Mr. W. Dancey.

Religious Society of Friends.—Meetings for Worship: Eustace street, 11.0; Devotional Meeting, 10.40; Monkstown, 11.0 and 6; Churchtown, 11.0; Bray, 11.30; Rathmines, 11.0 and 7.

Grosvenor Hall, Rathgar.—7, Mr. E. J. Reybould.

Fairview Hall.—12, Mr. R. McSherry Gordon. 7, Mr. Fred W. Jeffers.

Dublin Central Mission, George's Hall, South Great George's street.—11.30, Rev. Lindsay H. Cullen. 4, Meeting for Men. 7, Carol Service, Children's Choir.

Bible Students' Hall, 4 Lincoln Chambers, Lincoln place.—11.15 and 7, Mr. C. B. Coombs.

Ringsend Mission Hall and Y.M.C.A.—4, Special Lantern Service by Mr. Mumford.

Gilford Hall, Sandymount.—4, Mr. Gordon.

CHRISTIAN SCIENCE CHURCHES

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Dublin, a Branch of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass., 35 Molesworth street.—Services—Sunday, 11.30 a.m. and 7 p.m.; Sunday School, 11.30 a.m. Wednesday (Testimony Meeting), 8 p.m. Christian Science Reading Room, same address, is open to the public daily from 11 a.m.

First Church of Christ, Scientist, Rathmines, a Branch Church of The Mother Church, The First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass.—Services—Sundays, 11.30 a.m. and 7 p.m. Sunday School, 11.30 a.m. Wednesday (Testimony Meeting), 8 p.m. Christian Science Reading Room, Church Buildings, Rathmines Park, open daily, free to the public.

YOUNG MEN'S CHRISTIAN ASSOCIATIONS.

Rathmines Y.M.C.A.—10.15, Men's Conversational Bible Class; leader, Mr. C. G. Warner. 4.15, Bible Study; conducted by Mr. A. H. Ward. 8.30, Evangelistic Meeting.

Church of Ireland Y.M.C.A., Dawson street.—8.30, Gospel Address. Illustrated by the magic lantern. Mr. J. Lyons Egan. Singing from 8.15.

THE CHURCH OF IRELAND.

The Standing Committee of the General Synod of the Church of Ireland met on Thursday, the Archbishop of Dublin in the chair. Other members present were:—The Bishop of Ossory, the Bishop of Tuam, the Bishop of Killaloe, the Dean of Christ Church, Major E. H. C. Wellesley, Mr. G. R. Hyde, the Rev. E. D. Crowe, the Dean of Tuam, Canon Wilson, C. G. Gamble, Mr. Henry Bruen, D.L.; the Archdeacon of Cashel, Mr. R. H. Good, Mr. J. C. Willington, Mr. Dermod O'Brien, D.L.; Canon Kingsmill Moore, the Earl of Belmore, D.L.; the Dean of Kildare, the Archdeacon of Clogher, His Honor J. H. Moore, Mr. John Garvey, D.L., and the Dean of St. Patrick's.

Having transacted business the Standing Committee adjourned until Thursday, the 21st January next.

The death took place in Londonderry yesterday of Mr. Henry Thompson, J.P., who for half a century carried on a successful restaurant and confectionery business.

BROADCASTING

TO-DAY.

1.0—Time Signal from Greenwich. 4.0—Time Signal from Greenwich. "Keeping Christmas with Children, by Muriel Wrinch. Variety. 5.15—Children." 6.0—Sidney Firman's Cavour Dance Band. 7.0—Time Signal from Big Ben. Weather Forecast and News. Talk. 7.25—Music. 7.40—Major Owen Rutter, F.R.G.S., F.R.A.I., "Christmas in an Outpost of Empire." 8.0—Good Cheer. The Wireless Orchestra. Sydney M. Nesbitt and his Ukulele. John Coates (tenor). Recital of Christmas and Festive Songs, Old and New. 10.0—Time Signal from Greenwich. Weather Forecast and News. "Soccer" Talk. 10.30—The Mayfair Mystery. 11.0—Bands. 12.0—Close down.

DAVENTRY (5XX)—1,600 Metres.

10.30 a.m.—Time Signal from Greenwich and Weather Forecast. 1.0—Time Signal from Greenwich. 4.0-12.0—From London.

BIRMINGHAM (5IT)—479 Metres.

3.45—The "Decameron" and "Buffalo" Dance Bands. 4.45—Topics. E. Dorothea Barcroft (solo pianoforte). 5.15—Children. 6.0—Lozells Picture House Orchestra. 7.0—Weather Forecast and News. From London. 7.40—Travel Topics. 8.0—The Station Orchestra and entertainers. 9.0—Chamber Music. The Music Society String Quartet. 10.0-12.0—From London.

BOURNEMOUTH (6BM)—386 Metres.

3.45—Gardening Talk. Orchestra. 5.15—Children. 6.0—Music. 7.0—From London. 7.40—Capt. N. S. Lawrence: "Gurkha Life." 8.0—The Municipal Orchestra. S. Taylor Harriss (vocalist). Reginald Northall (entertainer). Community Singing. 10.0-12.0—From London.

CARDIFF (5WA) 353 Metres.

12.30-1.30—Lunch-time Music. 3.0—Organ Recital. 3.30-4.30—Garforth Mortimer and Orchestra. 5.0—The Muzikants Dance Band. 5.30—Children. 6.15—"Teens' Corner. 6.30—From London. 7.30—Topical Sports Talk. 7.50—George Rawling (tenor), Don Lennox (baritone), Maudie Lennox (soubrette), Toni Farrell (speciality pianist) the Station Orchestra. 10.0-12.0—From London.

MANCHESTER (2ZY) 378 Metres.

3.45—The Lancashire Military Band. 4.30—Miss R. Humphreys, "Honolulu." 4.45—Auto-Piano Recital by J. Meadows. W. Harvey Wilson (baritone). 5.15—Children. 6.0—From London. 7.40—Talk on Sport. 8.0—Melody and Merriment. Gladys Simcoe (entertainer), Herbert Deveney (baritone), the Lancashire Military Band. 10.0-12.0—From London.

NEWCASTLE (5NO)—404 Metres.

11.30-12.30—Susan Briggs (contralto), A. D. Holmes (horn). 4.0—Miss Norah Balls, "The Call of the Open Air—Christmas Out of Doors." 4.15—Light Music. 5.15—Children. 7.0—From London. 7.40—Association Football Talk. 8.0—St. Hilda's Band. Ethel Stanley (mezzo-soprano). 9.15—Tilley's Dance Band. 10.0-12.0—From London.

LIVERPOOL (6LV)—315 Metres.

4.0—Harold Gee and Orchestra. 5.0—Mr. C. W. Budden, M.A.: "The Wirral Peninsular." 5.15—Children. 6.30—From London. 7.0-12.0—From London.

GLASGOW (5SC)—422 Metres.

4.0 — The Wireless Quartet. Bloss Herron (soprano). 5.0—Mrs. Ellis, "Medicine and Surgery in China." 5.15-6.0—Children. 6.15—From London. 6.30—Radio Society Talk. 6.40—From London. 7.0—From London. 7.30—From Belfast. 8.50—Walter Todd (entertainer), the Station Orchestra. 10.0-12.0—From London.

BELFAST (2BE)—440 Metres.

4.0—Talk. 4.15—The Belfast Radio Trio. E. J. Harris (solo clarinet). 5.30-6.15—Children 7.0—From London. 7.30—Concert by the Belfast Philharmonic Society, relayed from the Ulster Hall. "The Elijah" (Part I.), Elsie Suddaby (soprano), Ethel Barker (contralto), John Adams (tenor), Joseph Farrington (bass-baritone), the Society's Chorus and Orchestra of 400 performers: Conductor: E. Godfrey Brown. 8.50—Mr. T. B. McDowell, Postmaster Surveyor, Belfast, on "The Christmas Mails." 9.5—The Belfast Radio Players present "An Ulster Ceidlith" (arranged by Charles K. Ayre). Players: Charlotte Tedlie, W. R. Gordon, J. Hodgen, R. L. O'Mealey, Ernest Stoneley, Evva Kerr. The occasion is a Christmas party. 9.40—G. O'Connor Morris (Pianoforte Recitals), selected. 10.0-12.0—From London.

SUNDAY.

LONDON (2LO)—365 Metres.

3.30-5.40—Ballad Concert. The Squire Octet, Dorothy Silk (soprano), Edith Penville (solo flute), Percy Heming (baritone), Peggy Cochrane (violin). 4.30—Arthur Bourchier, who will read a shortened version of "Gabriel Grubb," from "The Pickwick Papers." 8.0—Organ recital by Francis Sutton, F.R.C.O. 8.15—Service and address by Dr. Henry Hodgkin, Society of Friends. Organ recital (continued). 9.0—Weather Forecast and News. 9.15—The Band of H.M. Grenadier Guards, Harold Williams (baritone), Maurice Cole (pianoforte). 10.30—Close down.

DAVENTRY (5XX)—1,600 Metres.

10.30 a.m.—Time Signal from Greenwich and Weather Forecast. 3.30-5.40 and 8.0-10.30—From London.

BIRMINGHAM (5IT)—479 Metres.

3.30—Carol Service. The Orphanage Choir; soloists, Enid Jones and Audrey Owen. 5.30-6.0—Children's Christmas Corner. 8.30—Studio Service. Carols: "Good Christian Men Rejoice," and "The First Noel" (arr. Walford Davies). Religious Address by Canon Guy Rogers the Rector of the Parish Church. 9.0—Weather Forecast and News. 9.15-10.30—From London.

BOURNEMOUTH (6BM)—386 Metres.

3.0—"The Messiah," relayed from the New Central Hall, Southampton. Vocalists: Harold Lanchester, Marion Knight, Marie Robinson and Choir. Kate Winter (soprano), Roy Henderson (baritone), the Royal Bath Hotel String Orchestra, the Wireless Orchestra. 8.0—Studio Service. Address by Father Percival Triggs, S.J. 9.0—Weather Forecast and News. 9.15-10.45—Organ and Instrumental Recital; Arthur Marston (organ), T. E. Illingworth ('cello), W. M. Pearce (cornet), W. Stanford (trombone), Reginald S. Mouat (violin), Lee Nichols (poetry reading).

CARDIFF (5WA)—353 Metres.

3.30—Evensong relayed from Bristol Cathedral. Sermon by the Very Rev. E. A. Burroughs, D.D., Dean of Bristol, Bishop-Designate of Ripon. 4.45-5.40—From London. 8.0—From London. 8.15-8.45—Gahalfa Baptist Church Choir, Religious Address. 9.0—Weather Forecast and News. 9.15—An Orchestral Concert; Leff Pouishnoff (solo pianoforte), the Station Symphony Orchestra. 10.30-11.0—"The Silent Fellowship."

MANCHESTER (2ZY)—378 Metres.

3.30—Helen de Frey (soprano), Lawrence Wildgoose (tenor), the Band of H.M. Royal Air Force. 5.30-5.45—Music for the Children. 8.10—Mr. S. G. Honey. Talk to Young People. 8.30—Service. 9.0—Weather Forecast and News. 9.15-11.0—The Olof Soloist Sextet, the Station "Mermaid Club," Granville Britton (solo 'cello).

NEWCASTLE (5NO)—404 Metres.

3.30-5.40—From London. 8.0—Robert Baulks and the Station String Quartet. 8.15—Service. 8.45—Robert Baulks and the Quartet. 9.0—Weather Forecast and News. 9.15-10.30—From London.

LIVERPOOL (6LV)—315 Metres.

3.30-5.40—Ballad Concert from London.

GLASGOW (5SC)—422 Metres.

3.30-5.40—From London. 8.30—Studio Service. Religious Address by the Rev. William Edgar, of Kinning Park Parish Church. 9.0-10.30—From London.

BELFAST (2BE)—440 Metres.

3.30-5.40—From London. 8.30—The Belfast Radio Trio: Albert Fitzgerald (violin), Reginald Dobson ('cello), G. O'Connor Morris (pianoforte). The Trio—Trio No. 3, Op. 1 (Beethoven). 9.0—Weather Forecast and News. 9.15—The Station Choir: Hymn, "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel." Scripture Reading. Anthem, "O King, and Desire of Nations; Come!" (Stainer). The Rev. J. M. Halliday, of Clifton Park Congregational Church: Address. Choir: Hymn, "When Shades of Night Around Us Close." Closing Prayer and Benediction. 9.40-10.30—From London.

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.

The Board of the Widows' and Orphans' Fund (Church of Ireland) met on Thursday. The Dean of Christ Church presided, and the other members present were:—Canon Kernan, the Earl of Belmore, D.L., and Mr. John Garvey, D.L.

One case was investigated, the clergyman whose income was declared liable to deduction, as provided by Section 11 of the Statute, being registered as a contributor.

Permission to continue membership on revised terms was granted, under Section 22, to a clergyman who had undertaken duty in Egypt, and to another who had removed to England.

An application from a member for permission to qualify for increased benefits was granted under Section 14.

Three members who had received retiring allowances under Chapter XV. and who were otherwise qualified were declared exempt with benefits from further payments to the fund.

Intimation was received of the deaths of three contributors.

The widow of a contributor whose husband died on 17th October was declared entitled to an annuity of £48, with £5 per annum from the Supplemental Fund.

The Board granted £14 10s. each out of funds provided by the General Synod, 1925, to three widows who had not participated on 30th June last.

Payments were ordered as follow:—

Widows' and Orphans' Fund (Church of Ireland):—

	£	s.	d.
Annuities and grants	2,086	5	9
Expenses	74	12	3
Diocesan Funds	711	18	1

Having transacted the remaining business, the Board adjourned to the 21st January next.

5/- FINE FOR BULLET.

MAN WHO REFUSED TO LEAVE PUBLIC-HOUSE.

John Leo O'Connor, Eblana villas, Grand Canal street, Dublin, was charged at Bray District Court yesterday with refusing to leave the licensed premises of Mr. Breheny, Main street, Bray, on Sunday, the 6th inst., and also with having one round of .45 revolver ammunition in his possession.

The accused man said that he got the bullet from an ex-soldier four or five years ago, and kept it as a souvenir.

For refusing to leave the public house he was fined 20s., and for possession of the bullet 5s.

PATENTS, DESIGNS, TRADE MARKS. WM. EWART DOYLE, Registered Patent Agent, Consulting Engineer, Registered Patent Attorney. Guide Free.—12 College Green, Dublin.—(Advt.)

AUCTION BRIDGE.

(CONDUCTED BY "PALOMAR.")

Competition No. 64.

PRIZE £2 2/-

(1). The prize will be awarded to the competitor who sends in the play of the hand given below, equal, or nearest, to the rendering of "Palomar," who will give reasons for any special features.

(2). One side only of a sheet of paper must be used.

(3). All entries must be addressed to "Palomar," *Irish Times*, Dublin, and must arrive not later than the first post on next Friday.

(4). "Palomar's" decision on all points shall be considered as final, and no correspondence will be entered into on the subject of the competition.

(5). All entries must be accompanied by the upper part of this article, which should be cut out.

AB are partners against YZ. "Z" is always the dealer, and "A" is on his left. PLAY THE HAND AS IF ONLY DUMMY'S WAS EXPOSED.

Sp. K Q 8
H. 8 4 2
D. K J 8 6
Cl. 8 5 3

A.	Y. / Z.	B.
Sp. 9 7 6 H. A Q 10 D. 4 3 Cl. J 9 7 6 2	Y. A. B. Z.	Sp. 10 5 3 H. 7 5 3 D. 7 5 2 Cl. A Q 10 4

Sp. A J 4 2
H. K J 9 6
D. A Q 10 9
Cl. K

SCORE:—Love-all.

BIDDING:—

Z.	A.	Y.	B.
1 No trump.	No bid.	No bid.	No bid.

COMMENCE THE GAME THUS:—

Tricks.	A.	Y.	B.	Z.
1.	6 Cl.			

Place next lead below winning card. Star the winners, or draw line underneath. Number the tricks in rotation, and always give the result and reasons for play.

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Result of Competition No. 63.

We have pleasure in stating that three competitors tied for the prize out of a large number, their hands being excellently played—they are: Mr. S. A. Villiers, 6 Vergemount, Clonskeagh, Co. Dublin; Miss White, Stratford, Glenageary, Co. Dublin; and Mr. J. L. K. Kane, Drumreaske House, Monaghan; the prize will, therefore, be divided—14/- each.

THE PLAY.

Tricks.	B.	Z.	A.	Y.
1.	K Cl.*	6 Cl.	4 Cl.	5 Cl.
2.	Q D.	A D.*	6 D.	8 D.
3.	3 H.	6 H.	4 H.	K H.*
4.	5 H.	8 H.	9 H.	Q H.*
5.	8 Cl.	10 H.*	A Cl.	2 Cl.
6.	7 D.	3 D.	K D.*	5 D.
7.	3 Cl.	9 D.	J D.*	2 D.
8.	9 Cl.	A H.*	7 Cl.	3 Sp.

YZ win all the rest.

RESULT—

A and B, 3. Y and Z, 10. 40 for honours.

Many players would open the bidding with 1 No-trump. "Z" does not do so, although he has protection in three suits, because of the singleton club. Experience has taught him that with a hand containing distribution of this character a suit bid is always preferable to a No-trump. "A's" bid of four clubs in 2nd round is a defensive measure, if unable to make the contract, of saving the game at a slight loss. "Y's" call then of four hearts is sound and good. The opponents have shown both of the minor suits. Hearts have not been mentioned—therefore "Y" concludes "Z's" secondary strength must be in the heart suit, and perhaps game may be surer at hearts than it would be at spades. He knows also, if the call does not suit his partner, he can go back to spades without increasing the contract. He therefore decides to ignore "A's" undercall.

Trick 1.—"B" instead of opening his partner's suit, properly plays the king of clubs in order to establish, if possible, a club trick. His partner plays the four of clubs to discourage the continuance of this suit, as he wants a diamond led, in order to clear that suit before the opponents set the spade suit. "B," therefore, continues with the queen of diamonds.

"Y" before playing to the queen of diamonds pauses, in order to map out his line of play. Counting his losing tricks, he finds he has already lost 1 club trick, and that he will probably lose 2 diamond tricks, and perhaps a spade trick, if the spade finesse should fail. He sees, however, that there is a possibility of game if the hearts are equally divided, and if "A" holds the five diamonds that his defensive bid of two diamonds would indicate. Dummy therefore wins with the ace of diamonds.

At trick 5, "A" plays the ace of clubs, to unblock his partner's suit. Declarer, being pretty sure that "B" has only two diamonds, decided not to take the spade finesse, as if it should lose he will not make his contract, although, if it should succeed, he would make a "little slam." He does not believe in jeopardising a sure game for a possible slam. In other words it will count him only 66 points more than if he should make four odd. If he should not make his little slam, he not only goes down one trick (50 points), but loses the value of 4 heart tricks (32 points), as well as the value of winning the first game of the rubber, which is estimated to be worth between two and three hundred points. Consequently, he decided to play for game and not to take any hazardous chance for a "little slam."

"Y" figures that he can make 4 odd by giving his opponents 2 diamond tricks, and by forcing either opponent to lead a spade, or to lead one of the minor suits, so that he can obtain a spade discard from his own hand, and trump the minor lead in dummy.

At trick 8 it will be noticed that "A" is compelled to lead either a spade or diamond or a club. A spade, from the queen up to K-J-10 in dummy is obviously a bad lead. He knows that if his partner has the ace of spades, game is safe and that he himself will make the queen, but if "Y" holds the ace of spades, as is probable, from the original assist of spades, that there is no chance of making the queen if he leads away from it. He knows that any lead that he may make is probably fatal, so that he leads the seven of clubs in the hope that the declarer will trump it in his own hand, and then make the spade finesse in dummy, as many players would do. "Y," however, discards a spade on the club lead and trumps with the ace in dummy. Now all his tricks are good, consequently, he makes four odd and game.

In this hand is illustrated a practice usual among advanced players—that is, to avoid taking a finesse whenever possible. This procedure of first taking out the cards of at least two suits in order to force a lead that will be advantageous to declarer, the avoidance of the finesse, and the throwing the lead to one of the opponents, is ordinary practice in advanced play.

IRISH RAINFALL ASSOCIATION.

REPORT FOR NOVEMBER, 1925.

A bright, cold month, with a good deal of hoar frost, some thick fogs, and in the North and East a little light snow. The first week was wet, but the remainder of the month unusually dry, few stations recording more than half an inch of rain after the 7th; the total rainfall, however, did not greatly differ from the normal. It is remarkable that the wettest part of Ireland was the South-East, especially County Wicklow and the South of County Dublin. The reason of this was, no doubt, the prevalent easterly winds, driving the rainclouds against the Wicklow Mountains. West of the mountains, in Kildare, Kilkenny, etc., and also North of Dublin, where there are no mountains to break the clouds, the total rainfall was small. The wettest days were the 6th, when 1.71 ins. fell at Rathnew, and 1.68 ins. at Greystones; and the 1st (1.44 ins. at Enniscorthy and 1.34 ins. at Greystones). This was one of the sunniest Novembers on record, especially in the South. Totals for the month:—

	Inches.
Castletownshend, Co. Cork	2.85
Cork (Wellington Road)	2.38
Ballinacurra, Co. Cork	1.78
Cahirciveen (Observatory)	3.94
Killarney (Lakeview)	2.76
Waterford (Brook Lodge)	2.47
Clonmel (Coolgreany)	3.48
Tipperary (Friarsfield)	2.09
Cashel (Ballyowen)	2.50
Nenagh (Rectory)	1.73
Limerick (Mulgrave Street)	2.01
Inagh, Co. Clare	3.86
Enniscorthy (Rectory)	3.65
Kilkenny (Castle)	1.81
Hacketstown, Co. Carlow	3.07
Newcastle, Co. Wicklow	4.39
Greystones (Rathdown House)	4.64
Ballycumber, King's County	1.77
Clongowes College, Co. Kildare	1.56
Shankill (Sherrington)	4.02
Kingstown (The Hostel)	3.13
Dublin (Fitzwilliam Square)	3.37
Balbriggan (Ardgillan)	1.95
Drogheda (Mornington)	1.77
Athlone (Twyford)	2.35
Castle Forbes, Co. Longford	3.07
Galway (Grammar School)	2.96
Ballynahinch, Co. Galway	4.33
Swinford, Co. Mayo	3.53
Collooney, Co. Sligo	3.59
Crossdoney, Co. Cavan	2.63
Enniskillen (Castle Coole)	2.03
Armagh (Richhill)	1.35
Banbridge (Observatory)	1.82
Donaghadee (Craigmore)	1.56
Whiteabbey, near Belfast	2.01
Ballycastle (Magherintemple)	3.21
Dungannon (Aloha)	1.75
Milford, Co. Donegal	2.97

E. W. MONTAGU MURPHY (F.R.Met.Soc.),
Hon. Secretary, Ballinamona, Cashel.
November 6th, 1925.

THE SURVEYORS' INSTITUTION.

The Executive Committee of the Irish Branch of the Surveyors' Institution, at a meeting at 110 Grafton street, Dublin, yesterday—Major D. N. Brunicardi (Chairman) presiding—dealt with correspondence relating to the sale and transfer of tenants' interests in lands coming under the Land Act of 1923, such holdings being sold at very high prices, and on which compounded arrears are still due, apparently without the knowledge of the purchaser; and it was decided to draw the attention of the Land Commission to this matter.

Messrs. Charles Dickinson and Harry Franks were again nominated for election to the Council of the Institution for 1926-27.

Arrangements were made for continuing the reading of professional papers during the Winter Session (January, February and March).

Applications of candidates to sit for the professional examinations, 1926, were dealt with.

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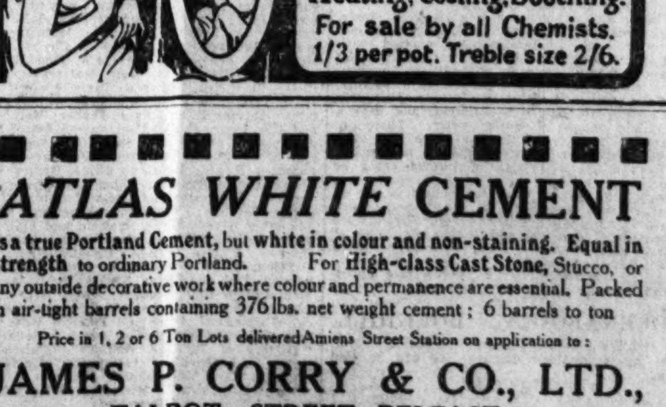

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LEGAL NOTICES.

NOTICE OF CHARITABLE BEQUESTS.
In the Goods of
KATHLEEN MARTIN, Deceased.

Notice is hereby given that Miss Kathleen Martin, late of "Carrickshinnagh," Foxrock, in the County of Dublin, Spinster, by her Will dated the 23rd day of April, 1922, with one Codicil thereto dated the 14th day of October, 1925, bequeathed (inter alia) the following legacies:—

	£	s.	d.
To the Parish Priest for the time being of the Parish of Foxrock, towards the building of New Church	1,000	0	0
To the said Parish Priest of Foxrock for Masses, to be celebrated in public	100	0	0
To the Hospice for the Dying, Harold's Cross	100	0	0
To St. Lawrence's Catholic House, 34 Parnell square, Dublin, for providing Nurses for the Sick Poor	100	0	0
To the Magdalen Asylum, Donnybrook	100	0	0
To Helena Martin, to be applied by her for such charitable purposes as she may in her absolute discretion decide	300	0	0

And the said Testatrix thereby appointed Thomas S. Martin, of 82 North Wall, in the City of Dublin, Merchant, to be her Executor.

The Testatrix died on the 17th day of October, 1925, and her said Will and Codicil were proved by the said Thomas S. Martin, and Probate thereof granted to him forth of the Principal Probate Registry of the High Court of Justice, Saorstat Eireann, on the 3rd day of December, 1925.

Dated this 17th day of December, 1925.

THOMAS C. ROSS, Solicitor for said Executor, 31 South Frederick street, Dublin.

To the Commissioners of Charitable Donations and Bequests, and all others whom it may concern.

SAORSTAT EIREANN.
Pursuant to a judgment of the High Court of Justice, made in an action,
JAMES CURLEY and Another, Plaintiff;
PATRICK HUGHES, Defendant.

All persons claiming to be Incumbrancers affecting the interest of the Defendant in the hereditaments demised by lease, dated the 2nd day of January, 1834, from Robert Walker to John Turkington, and therein described as the dwelling-house, tenement, and premises with the stable offices and yards therein appertaining as formerly in the possession of Alexander Clarke, Esquire, deceased, situate in Queen street, in the Town of Athlone, Parish of Saint Peter, and County of Roscommon, and now County Westmeath, together with the benefit of the licence attached to the premises and also the interest of the Defendant in a plot of ground with shed in yard, situate at Queen street, aforesaid, held at weekly rent of one shilling, are by their solicitors to come in and prove their claims at Chambers, Law Courts, Dublin, on or before the 13th day of January, 1926, or, in default thereof, they will be peremptorily excluded from the benefit of said judgment.

Every such Incumbrancer holding any security is to produce the same before the Judge at Chambers, Law Courts, Dublin, on the 20th day of January, 1926, at 11 of the clock in the forenoon, being the time appointed for adjudicating on the claims.

Dated this 9th day of December, 1925.

JOHN HEALY, Chief Clerk.

STATUTORY NOTICE TO CREDITORS.
ANNIE McDONNELL, Deceased, late of 110 Upper Church street, Dublin.

Take Notice that, pursuant to 22 and 23 Vic., cap. 35, all persons having claims against the estate of the above-named Deceased are required to furnish particulars of same on or before the 12th day of January, 1926, to the undersigned Solicitor for the Executor, after which date the assets of said Deceased will be distributed.

Dated this 11th day of December, 1925.

ARTHUR COX, Solicitor, 5 Stephen's Green, Dublin.

Gazette Notice—Adjudication—Public Sittings—17.
SAORSTAT EIREANN.
HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE.
IN BANKRUPTCY.

JAMES O'SULLIVAN, of Shannavalla, Gortatlea, in the County of Tipperary, Farmer, was, on the 30th day of November, 1925, adjudged Bankrupt.

Public Sittings will be held before the Court at the Law Courts, the Castle, Dublin, on Friday, the 15th day of January, 1926, and on Friday, the 29th day of January, 1926, at the hour of eleven o'clock in the forenoon, whereat the Bankrupt is to attend, and to make a full disclosure and discovery of his estate and effects. Creditors may prove their debts, and at the first sitting choose a creditor's assignee. At the last sitting the Bankrupt is required to finish his examination.

All persons having in their possession any property of the Bankrupt should deliver it and all debts due to the Bankrupt should be paid, to A. G. Hollinshead, Official Assignee, Law Courts, Dublin, to whom creditors may forward their affidavits of debt.

W. A. T. COBBE, Acting Deputy Registrar.
M. DAWSON, Solicitor, 20 Molesworth street, Dublin.

ADVERTISEMENT FOR CREDITORS.
IN THE CIRCUIT COURT OF THE SOUTH-WESTERN DIVISION—COUNTY OF LIMERICK
EQUITY NO. 1331.
In the Matter of
THE COMPANIES (CONSOLIDATION) ACT, 1908,
And in the Matter of
THE BALLINENA DAIRY COMPANY, LIMITED.

The Creditors of the above-named Company are required on or before the 1st day of January, 1926, to send their names and addresses and the particulars of their debts or claims and the names and addresses of their Solicitors, if any, to Mr. Michael J. A. Purtill, member of the firm of Messrs. Purtill and Co., Chartered Accountants and Auditors, 99 O'Connell street, Limerick, the Official Liquidator of the said Company, and, if so required by notice, in writing, from the said Official Liquidator, are, by their Solicitor, to come in and prove their said debts or claims at the office of the Clerk of the Crown and Peace, Courthouse, Limerick, at such time as shall be specified in such notice, or, in default thereof, they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such debts are proved.

Monday, the 11th day of January, 1926, at 11 o'clock in the forenoon, at said office is appointed for hearing and adjudicating upon the debts and claims.

Dated this 12th day of December, 1925.

FRANCIS KEARNEY, Clerk of the Crown and Peace, Peace Office, Limerick.

MYLES C. LAWLER, late of Oldcourt, Donard, Co. Wicklow, and 2 Denzille street, Dublin, Merchant and Farmer, Deceased.

All persons claiming to be creditors of the above-named deceased, who died on the 14th December, 1925, will please furnish particulars of their claims to the undermentioned Solicitor for the Executors.

HASTINGS DARE DRAPER, 5 St. Andrew street, Dublin.

SAORSTAT EIREANN.
HIGH COURT OF JUSTICE—PROBATE.
PRINCIPAL REGISTRY.

To the Next-of-kin (if any) and all Persons having any interest in the personal Estate of JOHN WALSH, late of No. 40 Rathgar road, Rathgar, in the County of Dublin, Merchant, Deceased.

Take Notice that a citation issued under the Seal of the High Court of Justice, dated the 18th day of December, 1925, whereby the Next-of-kin of the said John Walsh, deceased, are cited to appear within eight days after the publication of this Notice, and accept or refuse letters of administration of the personal Estate and effects of John Walsh, late of No. 40 Rathgar road, Rathgar, in the County of Dublin, merchant, deceased, intestate, or show cause why the same should not be granted to Annie Creed, of No. 40 Rathgar road, Rathgar, in the County of Dublin, Spinster, a creditor of said deceased, and such citation contains an intimation that in default of your appearance within the time aforesaid said letters of administration will be granted to said Annie Creed.

Dated this 18th day of December, 1925.

ARTHUR A. GREENE, Assistant Registrar.
R. H. BEAUCHAMP & ORR, Solicitors for said Annie Creed, 5 Foster place, Dublin.

ROYAL INSTITUTE OF ARCHITECTS.

In the report of the Council, read at the annual meeting of the Royal Institute of the Architects of Ireland, held at 8 Merrion square, Dublin, on last Thursday, attention was drawn to the amalgamation of the Society of Architects with the Royal Institute of British Architects, and the opinion was expressed that the amalgamation would have far-reaching effects.

The following were elected members of the Council for 1926:—Messrs. F. Hayes, G. F. Beckett, A. G. C. Millar, F. G. Hicks, T. J. Byrne, R. M. Butler, L. F. Giron, T. J. Cullen, A. E. Jones and W. A. Dixon. Messrs. F. B. Craig and R. C. Keefe were elected Hon. Auditors.

The nomination of Mr. J. H. Webb as President-elect for the coming three years was also touched upon in the report, and the labours of the out-going President, Mr. G. P. Sheridan, during his period of office were referred to in appreciative terms.

ROYAL CITY OF DUBLIN HOSPITAL.

The Board of Directors of the Royal City of Dublin Hospital met on Friday, 11th inst., Mr. Louis Cassidy, M.B., in the chair. Also present:—Messrs. William Beckett, C. Wisdom Hely, H. A. Vernon, T. R. McCullagh, Justice W. E. Wylie, John McCann, William R. Burgess, G. Jameson Johnston, F.R.C.S.I.; Seton Pringle, F.R.C.S.I.; V. M. Synge, M.D.; W. R. Booth and R. A. Stoney, F.R.C.S.I.

The minutes of the last board meeting were read and signed; also the minutes of the Weekly, Finance, Nursing and Ladies' Committees.

The Finance Committee reported that the overdraft at the bank on the 30th November was £10,696 6s. 1d.

On the proposal of Mr. Booth, seconded by Mr Beckett, a vote of condolence was unanimously passed with Lady Powerscourt on the death of her son the Hon Brian Wingfield.

The Matron begs to offer her sincere thanks for the following gifts received during the month of November:—Theatre stockings—Miss Neill [illegible] street. Papers and nightdresses—The mothers of Arklow, per Nurse J. R. Hunter. Flowers—Mrs. C. Wisdom Hely, Oakland, Rathgar, and Mrs. Westby, Roebuck Castle. Large fern—Mr. C. Wisdom Hely, Oakland, Rathgar. Loan of China, etc.—Miss Barror, Mary street.

For Christmas the Matron would be very pleased to receive a Christmas tree, evergreens, and infants' woollies.

The Resident Medical Officer reported that during the month of November 153 patients were admitted, the number remaining in the hospital at the end of the month being 115. There were 1,466 attendances at the general and special dispensaries, and 447 accident and emergency cases were dealt with.

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On View Day Previous. Terms—Cash and 5 per cent. Auction Fees.

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TUESDAY, JANUARY 19TH, ON THE PREMISES, AT 12 O'CLOCK.

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I HAVE been instructed by B. C. Parr, Esqre. (who has changed his residence), to SELL BY AUCTION, at 29 PRUSSIA STREET, DUBLIN, on THURSDAY, 7th JANUARY, 1926, at One o'clock p.m., the Lands of Parkstown, containing 344 acres 0 roods 37 perches, Statute measure, held in fee-simple subject to a Terminable Land Commission Annuity of £184 18/6. P.L.V., £299. Drainage Charge approximately £5 per annum. There is on the Lands a very nice Medium-sized Gentleman's Residence, containing large hall, 2 sittingrooms, kitchen, Dairy, and laundry; 5 bedrooms, 2 dressingrooms, w.c., etc. The Out-offices consist of stabling for 5 horses, garage, barn and hay barn, feeding shed for 40 cattle, also loose cattle shed, all in first-class repair. There is a good garden and greenhouse and 2 tennis grounds. The House is approached by an avenue through the front lawn. There is also a back avenue. The Lands are of the primest quality, and capable of finishing heavy bullocks, and are all in grass, with the exception of 4 acres. The property adjoins Ballivor Village, and is about 5 miles from Hill of Down and Trim, respectively (Stations on G.S. Rly.). Churches and Schools (R.C. and C.I.) within five minutes' walk.

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MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY, and THURSDAY, 11th, 12th, 13th, and 14th JANUARY, 1926—At Drewstown, Kells—Clearance Sale of Antique and Modern Household Furniture and Outdoor Effects, for Major F. McVeagh, commencing each day at 11.30 o'clock.

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for Mrs. W. J. Hopkins.			
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Pigeon Field	10	1	17
Horse Park	7	2	0
for the Owners.			
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River Field	14	2	28
Rahomiskey North	22	1	1
WILLIAMSTOWN—Cottage Division	30	1	8
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The Down Night Mail Dublin (Kingsbridge) to Cork will not leave until 8.0 p.m., and run non-stop to Sallins.

On THURSDAY, 24th DECEMBER.

A Special Train will leave Dublin (Kingsbridge) for Cork at 4.15 p.m. calling at principal Stations south of Portarlington.

A Train will leave Limerick for Ennis at 9.15 p.m., giving a connection off the 5.0 p.m. train from Kingsbridge.

The 8 p.m. Down Night Mail from Dublin (Kingsbridge) will give connections to Tralee and Valencia Harbour (via Mallow), Ennis and Waterford (via Limerick Junction).

On FRIDAY, 25th DECEMBER (CHRISTMAS DAY).

The usual Sunday Service will be in operation, with the following additions:—

A Passenger Train will leave Kingsbridge at 8 a.m. for Portarlington, Maryborough, Mountrath, Ballybrophy, Templemore, Thurles, Goold's Cross, Limerick Junction, Knocklong, and Intermediate Stations, thence to Cork, giving a connection to and from Limerick and Waterford, via Limerick Junction and Cobh (Queenstown).

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A Passenger Train will leave Limerick for Limerick Junction at 10.15 a.m., giving a connection to Cork and Waterford.

The 10.15 a.m. Cork to Cobh (Queenstown) will leave at 8.30 a.m. on this date.

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On SATURDAY, 26th DECEMBER.

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(WESTERN DISTRICT.)

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On DECEMBER 22nd, 23rd and 24th

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On DECEMBER 25th (CHRISTMAS DAY).

A Train will leave Broadstone for Enfield at 8.30 a.m.

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On DECEMBER 26th (ST. STEPHEN'S DAY).

The 8.30 a.m. Streete and Rathowen to Mullingar will not run.

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(EASTERN DISTRICT).

THURSDAY, 24th DECEMBER.

The service will be the same as on Saturdays, with the following exception and additions:—The 4.55 p.m. Train from Macmine Junction to Waterford will not run.

A Train will leave Wexford for Waterford at 9.20 p.m., giving connection at Macmine Junction off 6.5 p.m. Train from Dublin.

Special late Trains will leave Westland Row for Wexford at 9.25 p.m., and Wexford for Westland Row at 8.45 p.m., stopping at the principal Stations.

CHRISTMAS DAY, 25th DECEMBER.

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SATURDAY, 26th DECEMBER.

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